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'12' DENOUNCE 'ARMED CAMP' AT U. S. COURT *Charge Gov't-Inspired Hysteria*

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Communist Leaders at the Trial



Eleven of the 12 Communist leaders facing trial on frameup charges are shown in the above photo. Seated (l. to r.) are Robert Thompson, Henry Winston, Eugene Dennis and John Williamson. Standing are Jack Stachel, Irving Potash, Carl Winter,

Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, John Gates and Gilbert Green. William Z. Foster, National Chairman of the Communist Party, was absent due to a heart ailment.

—Daily Worker Photo by Peter

The Police Bivouac on Foley Square

By Joseph North

Federal Court on Foley Square is a skyscraper with marble pillars and to enter it to witness "justice" in this year of 1949 you had to pass through massive cordons of police, police on horseback, police on motorcycles, police in plain-clothes, police in the corridors.

But the police-states, you understand, are all east of the Alps.

This was the greatest show of force in the history of the federal courthouse. The force and violence with which the prosecution pretends to be so preoccupied in the case of the 12 indicted Communists is here all right. It's in the implied threat of the men with revolvers, some 400 or more.

George W. Crockett, eminent Negro attorney associated with defense put it aptly. He spoke of trials in the South and reminded the

court of justice in Alabama. He likened the atmosphere here to the mobs that milled around the Scottsboro court-house rendering it extremely unhealthy for any juror who deemed the defendants innocent.

"A mob is no less a mob when it is in blue clothes and carries pistols in holsters," he told Judge Harold R. Medina.

INCREASE PREJUDICE

The defense attorneys insisted that the only reason for this show of force—equivalent to "two and a half companies of military police"—was to maintain, and heighten, the prejudice against the defendants already created by the Government.

I had occasion to verify that myself. For the first time in trial procedure here, the federal authorities had allotted a room within the court-

house for the municipal police. To use as headquarters, the defense counsel insisted. They likened it to a military camp.

I entered the room to ask for the police officer in charge to ascertain how many men he had assigned. I was referred to Inspector Frank Kristensky who was extremely loathe to cite any figures.

But he did tell me this:

"I do not expect any disturbances."

Other policemen with whom I talked said the same.

3,000 PROTEST

And that was before the citizens of New York—some 3,000 and more—came at the call of the Civil Rights Congress to exercise their constitutional right of peaceful assembly and to express their disagreement with the Government. (Continued on Page 11)

700 in Capital Assail Frameup Trial of 12

By Mel Fiske

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Seven hundred civil rights fighters from 40 states today urged President Truman to defend and protect the U. S. Constitution by dismissing the indictments against 12 Communist leaders now on trial. In the national legislative conference called by the Civil Rights Congress, the delegates told the President in a unanimously adopted resolution:

"Three days from now you will take your oath of office to defend and protect the Constitution of the United States. We respectfully urge that you take that occasion to reaffirm the right of the American people to be the sole judge of the policies and programs of any political party."

Appearing before the conference were a score of victims of the 80th Congress and the Truman Administration.

Howard Fast, Harold Christofel, David Balint, Dorothy Forrest told the delegates who crowded into the AFL Laborer's Hall two blocks from the Capitol how Congressional committees, or Justice Department agents, or politicians were trying to block the American people's "road to freedom" by harassment, intimidation, deportations and arrests.

The conference was a prelude to the People's Freedom Crusade scheduled to knock on the doors of Congress tomorrow. CRC leaders expected close to 5,000 crusaders to arrive in the capital.

Reports from delegates through-

20 Killed in B-29 Crash

GLASGOW, Jan. 17 (UP).—Twenty homeward bound American soldiers were killed today their B-29 smashed into a fog-shrouded mountain in Western Scotland and burned.

A U. S. Army spokesman in London said the plane carried "maintenance men" and a regular crew.

DELEGATES TO ASK ACTION ON COP WHO KILLED NEGRO

Special to the Daily Worker

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 17.—One of the four delegates from Louisiana to the Freedom Crusade in Washington nation's capital will be Roy Leo Brooks, 23-year-old World War II vet and son of Roy Cyril Brooks, Negro trade unionist who was shot down last February in Gretna, La., by white patrolman Alvin Bladsacker.

Besides joining thousands of

out the nation highlighted the conference today. Delegates from the south told about KKK and police brutality. Union rank and filers took the microphone to tell how the Taft-Hartley Law cut unions down to company size.

Gus Harris, New Orleans, told of the murder of Robert Brooks in Gretna, La. Brooks' son, Royal, is also a delegate to the conference.

MALLARD CASE

Larkin Marshall, Macon, Ga., publisher and former candidate for the U. S. Senate on the Progressive Party ticket, condemned the jury verdict that freed the killers of Robert Mallard in his home state. Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY), said the indictment of the 12 Communist leaders is being used to "stifle the voices which fight for peace, progress and a decent America."

If Congress weren't in session, Marcantonio said, he would be at Foley Square today as one of the battery of defense attorneys in the case. He pledged to make his position known on the floor of Congress.

When a delegate moved the resolution for the quashing of the indictments against the 12, Marcantonio said he felt it was a "privilege" to second it.

"On the outcome of this trial hangs the issue of whether we will get housing or slums, price control or higher prices," he said.

"I personally do not believe," he added, "that the issue of the 12 Communist leaders will be settled in the courts. You just cannot get justice in a court which is stacked against you."

Marcantonio then described how the jurors were selected to guarantee they would be persons "whose interests lie with Wall Street."

Howard Fast attached tremend-

ous significance to the acquittal of Robert Burke, the private detective who forced his way into the home of Communist leader Robert Thompson and threatened Thompson's seven-year-old daughter.

Fast led off the panel discussion on thought control in the U.S.

The resolution adopted by the delegates also urged the quashing of the indictments against the 12 Communist leaders and demanded the withdrawal of the President's loyalty order.

The appearance of Paul Robeson, introduced as CRC vice- (Continued on Page 11)

CP National Committee Urges Big Push to Complete Sub Goal

The national committee of the Communist Party, in a statement issued yesterday expressing congratulations on the successful subscription drive thus far, urged that the campaign be put over the top by Feb. 12. The text of the statement, signed by Henry Winston, organizational secretary, follows:

At this moment of the opening of "America's great heresy trial," the national committee of the Communist Party heartily congratulates all those who helped make the drive for subscriptions to The Worker the outstanding success which it is.

Two short months ago, on Nov. 15, The Worker appealed to its readers to obtain 40,000 new subscribers. In the intervening period unprecedented attacks were leveled at the Communist Party, twelve of its national leaders were placed on trial in a gigantic frame-up, among them the president and editor of The Worker. Progressives as well as Communists were hounded.

Yet by Jan. 17, you have sent in more than 27,000 new subscriptions, 67.5 percent of the goal—3,000 more than the 24,000

200 Clubs on Foster Honor Roll

William Z. Foster

Honor Roll Clubs

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Watch Tomorrow's Daily Worker for Fifth Listing

Manhattan Over the Top in Drive for 7,500 'Worker' Subs

New York County Communists went over the top yesterday in their drive for 7,500 Worker subscriptions, it was announced by Ben Simonowsky, county press director. Completion of the sub quota coincided with the opening of the frame-up trial of the party's leaders, Simonowsky noted. Stations will be set up at the county's Lenin Memorial Meeting tomorrow (Wednesday) night to accept additional subs, he said. "We will continue to get subscriptions after the drive is over," Simonowsky added.

New York County Communists also obtained more than 700 subs for progressive foreign language newspapers, it was revealed. The Lower West Side and Washington Height sections of the party were praised for their outstanding efforts in the sub drive.

secured in four months last year.

This proud achievement was the result of the splendid and untiring effort of the readers of the paper, the Communist Party members, guided and directed by the state leaders and state press representatives of the Communist Party.

Twelve states have not gone over the top—although they have reached or passed the 50 percent mark. These states and districts are: New England, 7astern Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, New Jersey, Connecticut, North and South

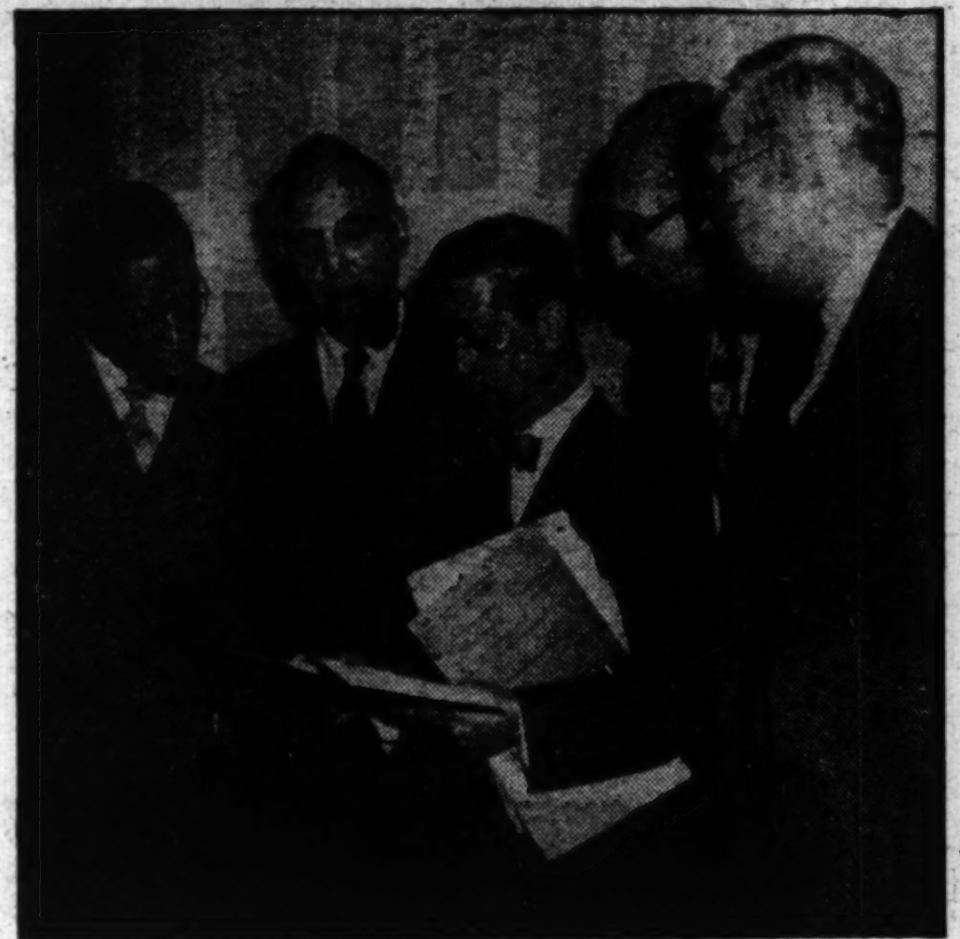
Carolina, Texas, Indiana.

We appeal especially to these 12 states to bend every effort to reach their goals—and we are confident they will.

Because of this confidence and because of the achievements of the drive thus far, the management of The Worker has extended the subscription drive until Feb. 12. The special subscription offer of \$2 per year has also been extended for that period.

We urge all Communists, especially those in the 12 states, to put The Worker subscription drive over the top—100 percent—by the new deadline, Feb. 12.

COUNSEL FOR '12' CONFER



FIVE OF THE battery of lawyers for the 11 leaders of the Communist Party, who went on trial here yesterday, gather outside the courtroom in Federal Courthouse, Foley Square, to talk over strategy. Left to right: Leo Crockett, Maurice Sugar, Harry Sacher, Abraham Isserman and Louis F. McCabe.

—Daily Worker Photo by Peter

Communist Leaders Denounce 'Armed Camp' as Trial Opens

By Harry Raymond

Leaders of the Communist Party went on trial yesterday in the black marble-lined U. S. courthouse, charging that an armed police guard of more than four hundred ringing the building was placed there "deliberately to prejudice the minds of the jury." Judge Harold Medina, trial



PART OF THE mass picket line which paraded in protest against the trial of 11 leaders of the Communist Party shown outside Federal Courthouse in Foley Square as the trial opened. Forced across the street from the Courthouse by the police (note building's pillars in background), many pickets waved copies of the Daily Worker aloft to passing crowds. —Daily Worker Photo by Peter

jurist, was asked by defense lawyers to order the unprecedented guard removed, he said he saw "no evidence of all this talk about police officers and intimidation." He refused to order them to leave. Eleven of the 12 indicted Communists were in the courtroom when the black-robed judge strode to the bench at 10:43 a.m. and ordered the court in session. William Z. Foster, Communist national chairman, was not able to take his place among the accused men.

Louis McCabe, Foster's attorney, told the court he would not risk permitting Foster to appear for trial, because of a "serious condition of his health."

DENIES MOTIONS

Judge Medina denied, one after another, a series of defense motions to postpone the trial for another 90 days or until government-inspired hysteria against the defendants had subsided. Then he refused to order U. S. Attorney John F. X. McGohey to present a bill of particulars on the indictment.

The court likewise refused a defense demand that a mysterious private detective connected with Robert J. Burke, labor stoolpigeon who, last November, smashed into the home of Robert Thompson, a defendant, be removed from the court.

However, the "private eye," who posed as a special newspaper writ-

er, fled from the courtroom during the luncheon recess without giving his name. He did not return.

Court proceedings opened with Harry Sacher, attorney for John Gates, editor of the Daily Worker, calling attention of the court to morning newspaper headlines and stories stating that the largest aggregation of police in federal court history had gathered both inside and outside the court to "balk out-breaks."

Sacher quoted the New York Star as stating that Foley Square, site of the court house, "will become an armed camp." He asserted that Chief Police Inspector had assigned a police detail of foot, mounted, motorcycle and plainclothes men "equivalent to two-and-a-half companies of military police to guard the court."

The attorney charged such police action turned what might have been a public trial into a "police trial."

"The police are here," he said, "to create the Hitler lie that something terrible is going to happen."

Judge Medina replied: "I saw no armed camp here today."

"Never in all my experience as an attorney have I seen anything like what I witnessed here today," declared Richard Gladstein, attorney for Thompson. "I object to defending my client while some 400 police are in and around the court."

"Hundreds of prospective jurors witnessed this and were made to believe some menace exists."

Gladstein asked if "martial law had been declared in Foley Square."

Judge Medina, leaning back in his chair, said he believed the police might have been sent to the court because of a possible picket line protesting the indictments. He said he had seen "noisy" picket lines in front of the court during the pre-trial period of October and November.

PICKETS ORDERLY

Gladstein pointed out none of the pickets was arrested or convicted of disorderly conduct, and that they were merely exerting their constitutional right to freely assemble to ask for redress of grievances.

"This has been done deliberately to prejudice the minds of the jury," the attorney asserted, pounding his

Herald Trib Retracts Lie on Communists

The "Herald Tribune," which on Saturday added its share to the lies spread by the commercial press about the 12 Communist leaders, by stating that they were indicted for conspiracy to overthrow the government, was forced yesterday to retract. The "Trib" concealed the fact that the 12 were indicted for setting up an organization to teach and advocate the ideas of Marxism socialism.

Buried on page 26 of yesterday's "Herald Tribune" was the following statement:

In Saturday's editions of the New York "Herald Tribune" it was erroneously reported that the defendants were charged with "conspiring to overthrow the government by force."

list on the defense table.

Attorney McCabe arose and declared: "It wasn't until the jury was called today that this mass demonstration of force was exhibited."

AN "ARMED MOB"

George W. Crockett, Jr., of Detroit, attorney for Carl Winter, Michigan Communist chairman, compared the police mobilization with mobs that gather at trials in the southern states.

Crockett told how he as a Negro lawyer had witnessed armed groups intimidating courts below the Mason-Dixon Line.

"The fact that the men wear uniforms does not make it less a mob," Crockett said. "What you have out there is an armed mob to intimidate the defendants and counsel."

Later Crockett addressed himself to the newspaper-inspired hysteria.

"I and 15,000,000 other Negroes in this country have become authorities on newspaper-inspired prejudice," he said. "Prejudice against race, creed, color or politics is not peculiar to the south. Many people who are against minority groups have come to associate the struggle for Negro rights with the Communist Party. That connection is, in my opinion, well taken. Fifteen million Negroes in this country have their eyes on this case."

Crockett pointed to a statement by Prosecutor McGohey in the Journal-American that this is the

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People's Army Prepares Offensive South of Yangtze

NANKING, Jan. 17.—The People's Liberation Army today announced that it would soon begin an offensive south of the Yangtze that would envelop all of China. The People's Liberation radio declared that the "direction of the People's Liberation

Report South Africa Riots Spreading

DURBAN, Jan. 17.—Police reported today that fighting between Zulu natives and Indians had subsided in Durban but that it had broken out in Pietermaritzburg, 40 miles northwest of Durban, and was spreading toward the Rand Gold fields.

Carey Moves To Split WFTU

PARIS, Jan. 17.—James Carey, American member of the executive committee of the World Federation of Trade Unions, today demanded outright liquidation of the organization.

Arthur Deakin, British member of the committee, proposed a year's suspension of the WFTU.

Deakin said that if the British motion for a year's suspension were defeated, or even if no vote were taken on the motion, British unions would automatically drop out of the WFTU. Carey said the same was true for the CIO.

Netherlands delegate Edward Kuipers has indicated he will follow the British and Americans.

Italy's Giuseppe Divittorio and China's Liu Ning-yi both supported the Soviet delegates in today's meeting, which would mean that the deciding vote may be cast by Louis Saillant of France, secretary-general of the WFTU.

MELBOURNE (ALN).—Australia (Continued on Page 11)

Army offensive will soon be pointed south of the Yangtze. . . Preparations for striking across the Yangtze are actively under way in the vast Central Plains Liberated Area between the Yellow and Yangtze Rivers."

The Hong Kong newspaper, Hwa Shiang Pao, published a People's Liberation announcement of its aims to liberate all of China. The announcement said that guerrilla forces, long active in the southern provinces, had been organized into three columns to help the drive.

Chiang Kai-shek's spokesmen here in Nanking admitted that their last defenses against the drive of the People's Liberation Army had crumbled and that the way was open for a direct assault on Nanking "within two weeks."

Only small rear guard actions were expected to hamper the drive south of the People's Liberation forces which are estimated at 300,000 troops.

PEIPING UNDER FIRE

Censored dispatches from Peiping indicated the ancient capital was under a People's Liberation artillery barrage. The People's Liberation radio said: "The liberation of Peiping and all of North China is at hand." A 12-man truce team went from Peiping into

the western hills today to appeal again to People's Liberation Gen. Yeh Chien-ying for a separate peace. The situation closely paralleled that at Tientsin before it fell.

The Liberation radio meanwhile reported the capture of Tangku, Tientsin's port.

Kuomintang leaders in Nanking worked on a reply to Communist leaders Mao Tse-tung's eight-point surrender ultimatum. Most of them were reported to favor asking the People's Liberation forces for an immediate ceasefire which would be followed by peace talks.

CHIANG MEN FLEEING

The increasing threats to Nanking again led to stepped-up evacuation activities which were all but divesting Nanking of its im-

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Betrays U. S., Says He Hated Russia

DESERTER WHO BROADCAST FOR NAZIS GETS 25 YEARS

An Air Force lieutenant, who deserted during the war to broadcast for the Nazis, yesterday nonchalantly admitted in Federal Court that he was guilty of treason.

Paul Stryker, attorney for Martin J. Monti, 27, of Florissant, Mo.,

used as the basis of his defense of Monti's actions, the Nazi broadcaster's belief that Russia was the real enemy of the U. S.

Monti was sentenced to 25 years in prison and fined \$10,000.

Grinning arrogantly, Monti told the court that he deserted his post in India in the fall of 1944, hitchhiked by air to Italy and stole a P-38 fighter plane and flew it behind the German lines north of Pisa. He said he later broadcast for the Germans from Berlin on a program beamed to allied troops,

and joined the Nazis SS Elite Guard.

"He comes from a God-fearing family," Stryker told the court. "In this court are his parents and two brothers. He went to schools of his own sect, Catholic. He read to an extreme degree religious magazines, some of them isolationist in character. His environment was strongly anti-New Dealish. It denounced Communism as an enemy of this country and of Christianity. He was imbued with the idea that Russia was the real enemy of the United States."

Point of Order By ALAN MAX

PROGRESSIVES in this country will soon be told: "If you don't like the way things are here, why don't you go back to China?"

State Law, Funds Aid Milk Trust, ALP Says

Arthur Schutler, executive secretary of the American Labor Party yesterday called for repeal of state laws protecting the Sheffield-Borden milk monopoly from competition. Schutler's statement followed his exposure of a eulogy of the milk trust by the magazine

Murtagh Tells Grocers Co-op Milk Costs Less

Commissioner of Investigation John M. Murtagh yesterday advised independent grocers to buy milk from independent dealers such as the Consumer - Farmer Milk Cooperative in order to sell milk at a penny a quart less.

Independent grocers were complaining to him, Murtagh said, that since they were not receiving any discount or rebate from the big dealers and were paying 22 cents a quart, a cut of one penny to the consumer wiped out their markup on homogenized milk. The big chainstores, like A&P, are now selling homogenized milk for 23 cents and approved milk for 22.

"My suggestion to the retailers was," he said, "that milk is available from independents at lower prices."

He pointed out that the Consumer-Farmer Milk Cooperative is selling homogenized milk in containers at 19½ cents to grocers.

Murtagh revealed that he was meeting with E. H. Stone, president of H. C. Bohack Co., on Friday morning to discuss further price reduction. On Jan. 12, Murtagh called upon Bohack to cut its price of milk by more than the one cent a quart the big chains have ordered, since Bohack was receiving a discount of almost three cents a quart from the R. M. Rencken Dairy Co.

Rencken has denied this. Stone, who is in Atlantic City, will be asked to cut the price of a quart of milk by two more cents.

Protests on Trial Mount

Special to the Daily Worker

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 17.—Local 26 of the CIO Food & Tobacco Workers Union unanimously called upon President Truman to dismiss the indictments against the 12 leaders of the Communist Party. A membership meeting of the local also called for the abolition of the House Un-American Committee.

Special to the Daily Worker

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—The Chicago Maroon, a student newspaper of the University of Chicago, editorially blasted the trial of 12 leaders of the Communist Party as a "flagrant abuse of civil liberties." "... we can see the trial for what it really is," declared the editorial, "an attempt to suppress the political ideas of Marxism-Leninism and the political opposition supplied by the Communists in the country today."

The editorial concluded by charging the trial will "be a trial of civil liberties in America."

Special to the Daily Worker

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 17.—The American Slav Congress of western Pennsylvania wired President Truman and Attorney General Tom Clark demanding that they dismiss the indictments against the leaders of the Communist Party.

Every day in every way... get those subs for the Daily Worker and The Worker.

Farm Economics, published by the New York State College of Agriculture with taxpayers' funds.

Sections 258-C and 258-J of the State Agriculture and Markets Law, Schutler said, "prevents any individual or commercial concern from entering into business of milk distribution unless it receives a certificate from the State Agriculture Commission. This certificate must state that the market that the concern seeks to enter is not adequately supplied with milk."

LICENSES WITHHELD

Competitors with the milk trust, including bona fide cooperatives are seldom able to get the necessary certificates, Schutler charged. As a result the price of milk is kept at top levels while the price to the farmer is squeezed as far down as possible.

The monopoly section of the law are in flagrant violation of the anti-trust law, he said.

Schutler called for fullest support of a bill introduced by State Senator Paul Graves, repealing the monopoly provisions. A resolution to the same end State Senator Henry A. Wise also has ALP support. These measures were introduced as the result of a campaign in which the ALP took a leading part.

WOULD FURTHER CO-OPS

Repeal of the illegal monopoly sections of the state law will enable milk cooperatives to enter the market in a big way, with benefits to the consumer and to the farmer alike, declared Schutler.

The ALP, also demanded that state funds be cut off from FARM ECONOMICS pending an inquiry. The ALP charged that the people's money is being used to promote the philosophy of big business and to vilify consumers and farmers who are fighting the milk trust.

New York City Commissioner of Investigation John M. Murtagh said that he fully endorsed Schutler's demand for an inquiry into the use of state funds to boost the milk trust.

Schutler cited the following quotes from the December, 1948, issue of Farm Economics:

"The gullible public lends an attentive ear to the politician who cites the similarity of prices and volume as evidence of collusion."

"The demagogue appeals to the consumer by pointing out that Borden and Sheffield always sell at the same price, which is always too high, and that the milk trust is taking a gigantic margin by paying the farmer too little and charging the consumer too much."

"A large percentage of the so-called down-trodden third, and too large a percentage of the intellectuals believe these charges to be gospel truths. The down-trodden third and the intellectuals don't know it, but their interests are protected by the system they revile. This is the way the free enterprise system works."

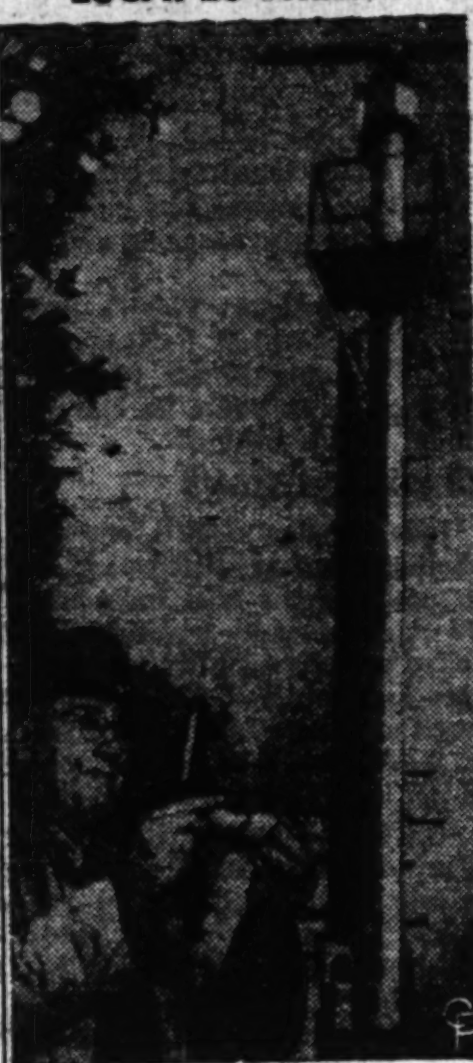
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ESCAPES FREEZE



A CITRUS GROWER in Pomona, Calif., Lloyd West, cuts open an orange and finds that the big freeze that damaged other crops in the area left his fruit in prime condition. He credits the wind machine (background) which generated a breeze.

State AFL Pressmen Ask T-H Repeal

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Jan. 17 (UP).—The New York State Council of the International Printing Pressmen and Assistants Union, an AFL affiliate, today was on record as favoring immediate repeal of the Taft-Hartley Law, and its replacement with the Wagner Act.

Tomorrow's China

By Anna Louise Strong
The General Staff

(Continued from Yesterday)

OFTEN as many as 30 people spent the night in our hostel. One night a party with laden donkeys brought a group of women I had known in Yen-an. They had come a month on foot, holding conferences. They planned to meet the leaders of the Four Provinces and then go on to Shantung and Manchuria. I envied their physical endurance for I was tired by my relatively short trip.

For two days Colonel Li—for I found that Li Ti-hua was a colonel—arranged interviews in my room. I thus met the chief of the militia, of the trade unions and the peasants' union. On the third day I recovered enough to want to see the physical set-up of the army command and government that had moved to this primitive place.

"Three types of organization are needed to carry on the collective life of a large area," explained General Po I-po, a large, efficient-looking man who was commissar of the army. These are the civil government, the army headquarters and the voluntary associations, such as trade unions, peasants' union, women's and youth associations, the cooperatives, the Communist Party. Some 600 people comprise the necessary top leadership of all these organizations. They all live in villages not more than two miles away.

"Army Headquarters is in this village; two miles away is the civil government; in another village two miles off are the chiefs of the voluntary associations. Still other villages house the newspaper, the book department, the radio, all the institutions that we need for effective work. When any general problem comes up, such as land reform or the defense of the area, we hold a meeting of all top-flight leaders of army, government and voluntary associations. Each system assumes its share of the work and carries it out all over the sea. All our forces of army, government and voluntary associations can be brought into play at once from here."

That was the set-up whose details I began to observe.

A FEW DOORS down my street was army headquarters. Even after visiting it twice I could hardly find it again without a guide. The cobblestoned streets, the walls, the entrances all looked alike. Inside one entrance a sentry stood but you didn't see him till you passed the outer door. There he stopped you; he had a bayoneted rifle. Passing him, you came to a court from which many rooms opened. You entered one of these rooms.

Six men in rather dusty uniforms sat around the long table in the 12-by-13-foot room that I entered. Maps covered the wall behind them from floor to ceiling. In the four corners stood four small desks, at each of which sat a secretary.

"This," said Commissioner Po I-po, "is our General Staff."

"Here is our chief of staff." He introduced the man at the head of the table. "Here is our secretary general." I recognized General Tao who had traveled with us from Hantan. "Here is the chief of G1, G2, G4. I am the commissar. The head of G3 is absent on business. Otherwise we are all here except our commander-in-chief, General Liu Po-cheng, who has gone to one of the fronts."

"He can reach us at any time by phone," continued Po I-po, pointing to a telephone on one of the desks. It was the only modern instrument in the room. "That phone connects with 10,000 miles of line and 1,000 phones," he stated. "We connect with all our fronts, with our rear services, with all important cities and with the government departments. We captured the equipment bit by bit from the Japs. Now we are cap-

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MICHAEL SINGER

'Fighting Words' on the '29 Crash

Who can forget the Great Depression!

Today's papers are still trying to bury the specter of a new one which haunts every living American.

Remember the last Crash—the jobless demonstrations? The Hunger March? The Bonus March and the breadlines?

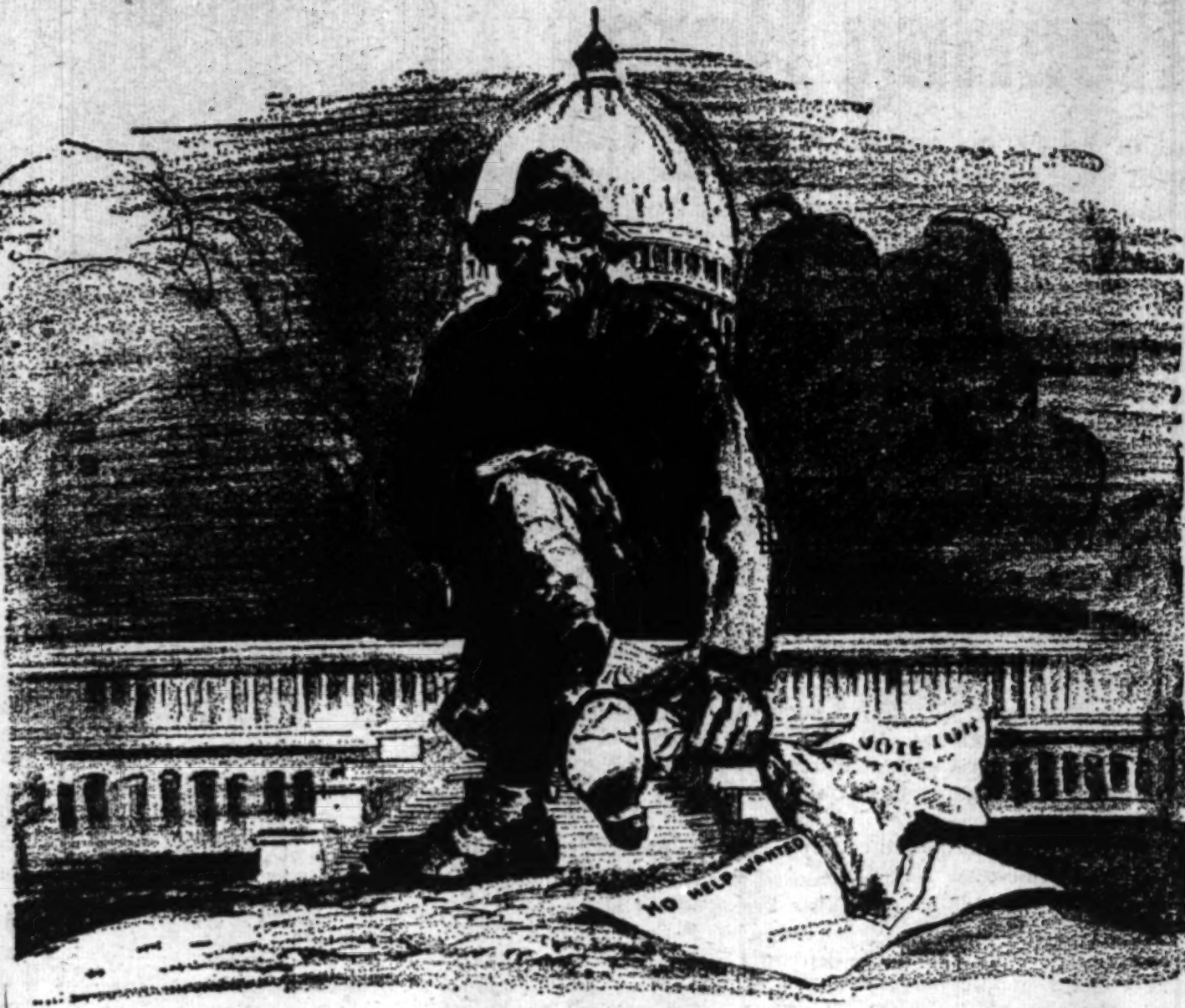
It's all there in **Fighting Words**, a collection of stories from the Daily Worker in the past 25 years. As fresh as today's headline, this dramatic epoch in our country's life lives again in the Daily Worker stories of 1929, 1930, 1931 and 1932.

The soothsayers of Wall Street and Washington were hard at work handing out soft-soap on Oct. 29, 1929, when the bottom fell out of the stock market. They were trying to convince the people that it was just an accident, that everything would be all right, when the Daily Worker published the following words that day:

"The naked fact is that this collapse in the stock market is a real tremor in the oncoming earthquake of economic crisis. . . . Capitalism cannot control the anarchy of the market which is inherent and inescapable in the system of capitalist production."

WALL STREET LIES

The Wall Street soothsayers were liars—and the Daily Worker was warning the people with remarkable accuracy of the com-



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The hearing at 110 Livingston St. Brooklyn, was chaired by Maximilian Moss, chairman of the Board's Committee on Finance and Budget.

Others who scored budgetary inadequacies were Dr. Abraham

be increased. It is necessary actually to increase them."

She warned that the end sufferers are the school children who are deprived of educational facilities.

About 100 organizations were represented at the hearing.

WOMEN'S PARLEY DELEGATES TO SPEAK AT LENIN RALLIES

Pearl Lawes and Margaret Krumbein, two American delegates to the International Women's Congress in Budapest, will report on the results of the Congress at the Lenin Memorial Meetings to be held this week on Jan. 19 and 20, it was announced yesterday by the New York State office of the Communist Party.

"The trial of the 12 and the position of the American Negro, is being watched throughout the world," declared Mrs. Lawes, "as the measure of American faith in democracy. The people of Europe well remember that the denial of fundamental democratic rights to Communists was the first step towards the destruction of all human rights—towards the misery and terror of fascism."

"They are watching the American government," continued Mrs. Lawes, "and the actions of the American people. But more than that, they too are organizing to protest the attacks against the Communist Party and to protect their own peoples from the danger of a new world enemy."

Mrs. Lawes, member of the Communist Party and a leader of

the fur workers in New York, will appear at the St. Nicholas Arena on Wednesday, and at the Bronx Winter Gardens on Thursday. Mrs. Krumbein, leader of the Kings County Communist Party and a member of the Women's Commission, will be in Brooklyn, on Thursday, at the Academy of Music.

The featured speakers of the evening will be Robert Thompson, New York State chairman of the Communist Party; Councilman Benjamin J. Davis; and Gilbert Green, chairman of the Communist Party of Illinois. This will be the first public appearance of three of the 12 indicted leaders of the Communist Party since the beginning of their trial on yesterday. Thompson will appear in Brooklyn, Davis in Manhattan, and Green in the Bronx.

An original dramatic presentation depicting the history of the Daily Worker in its leadership of the struggles of the American people, will be a high spot on the evening's program.

Tickets are available at all Party clubs and at the box office.

Ask \$8 Million From State for Schools

ALBANY, Jan. 17.—The United Parents Association, which represents 185,000 New York city parents, called on the legislature today to increase state aid to education by \$60,000,000.

David I. Ashe, president of the group, said that without adequate state aid "New York city would be unable to properly repair school buildings, secure sufficient teachers and supply up-to-date textbooks."

Lefkowitz, legislative representative of the AFL Teachers; the Bronx American Labor Party, the United Parents Association, Citizens' Committee on Children, Joint Committee of Teachers Organizations, parent-teacher groups.

OTHER OMISSIONS

In addition to failure to meet teaching needs, speakers attacked the proposed budget for such things as failure to provide for sufficient kindergartens, limitation of class size, increased supplies, maintenance, after-school playground supervision, improved library services, absorption of more substitute teachers, and increased pay to clerks and shop assistants.

The "pious hopes" expressed by the Board for finding a way to increase salaries, Dr. Lefkowitz asserted, "are merely evasions" of the issue. He and others criticized the Board for proposing only a minimum budget which the Board of Estimate will probably try to slash in turn, as it has done in the past. Dr. Lefkowitz maintained further that the presentation of a minimum budget will help weaken the case for increased state aid.

The proposed budget calls for a total of \$220,599,000, with the provision for \$63,853,000 to come from state and federal aid.

Pointing out that 5,000 teachers have resigned since 1939 and that the resignation rate at 500 percent above normal, Mrs. Russell, in a thoroughly documented brief, declared:

"... it is not enough for the Board of Education merely to state its belief that salaries should

Big Farm Tool Local Votes to Reject CIO Edict

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—The big right-wing led International Harvester's McCormick Works local of the United Farm Equipment Union voted overwhelmingly here to reject the national CIO's ultimatum to the union to merge with the United Auto Workers.

With more than 1,000 members jamming the meeting, the local joined all other FE locals in demanding the national CIO act to establish a single union for the farm equipment industry.

Farm equipment workers are presently organized in five CIO unions, although the majority belong to the farm equipment union. Other unions with locals in the industry are the United Auto Workers, United Electrical Workers, United Steel Workers and Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers.

Earlier, the FE union's executive board had rejected the CIO's merger order and denounced it as "a Pearl Harbor ultimatum to disband our union." It refused to dis-

To Speak at Institutes on Schools

Mrs. Esta Gluck, president of the Parent-Teachers Association of P. S. 130, who has brought suit in the New York State Courts against the "released time" system for religious instruction in the public schools, will speak at an Institute on Religion and the Public School to be held by the American Jewish Congress at the Hotel Plaza today.

solve itself into the UAW and proposed instead that one union be formed in the industry at a democratic convention of all farm implement locals in the five unions concerned. Support for this stand by the McCormick Works local was seen as a big blow to the efforts of national CIO and UAW President Walter Reuther to destroy the union. Because right-wingers had won the last elections, the local had been counted upon as the wedge to split the union's ranks and put over the merger edict.

After an unsuccessful move to table the unity resolution, pro-UAW right-wingers, led by Trotskyite Victor Weber, were only able to muster some 20 votes against it.

Says Landlord's Son Hit Tenant

The son and lawyer for a Bronx landlord was accused by a tenant of striking him in a Bronx County courthouse elevator after the latter requested and received postponement of a court hearing.

The lawyer, Sol D. Greenstein, representing D. Greenstein, Inc., owners of the building at 1302 Rosedale Ave., was seeking from Bronx Supreme Court a mandatory injunction to permit re-

moval of a television window aerial from the apartment of the tenants, Joseph and Gertrude Einson.

The case had earlier been thrown out of Magistrate's Court. In Supreme Court yesterday it was adjourned until tomorrow (Wednesday) on Einson's request when his counsel, David Minkoff, of the Bronx Council on Rents and Housing, was unable to appear. It was following the postponement that the alleged attack on Einson,

a heart disease sufferer, occurred. According to the tenants, the landlord received a five percent "hardship increase" from all tenants several months ago, but solicited and obtained additional "voluntary" increases. The Einsons incurred his enmity by refusing the added rent hike, and were thereupon ordered to remove the aerial—with the proviso, of course, that it might stay if the increase were forthcoming. When they refused, the landlord obtained a summons.



CANNISTER-MASK, designed to conserve body heat and moisture lost in zero climates through breathing, is being tested by Carl Craig, University of Maryland scientist, who is working with the Office of Naval Research in Washington. Tests have been made in rooms chilled to Arctic temperature.

Around the Globe, a column of news and analysis of world developments by Joseph Starobin, appears each day in the Daily Worker.

Our Own Corner

At the noon hour, workers seeking a brief respite of food and sunshine poured out of the huge factory in Yonkers. The scene was typical of the usual rush of men and women at that hour out of the main gate of the Alexander Smith & Son Carpet Co. But on this day an unusual occurrence arrested the attention of the workers. A portable platform which alternated between the gate and the nearby cafeteria carried Communist speakers who, in rotation, talked to the crowd about local shop issues, the CIO convention, Congress, the textile union and Socialism.

For one hour the workers listened attentively. Meanwhile, members of the Yonkers Carpet Industrial Club circulated among the crowd distributing the Daily Worker and the pamphlet "What's Ahead For Textile Workers" by Emmanuel Bloom and Joe Figueiredo. The club had "optimistically" taken 50 pamphlets, but so great was the eagerness among the workers for the pamphlet and the paper, that all were sold in a short time.

As a result of this and similar activities, the Yonkers Industrial Club was the first upstate club to fill its quota of Worker subscriptions and to voluntarily shoulder a higher quota for the drive for 40,000 new Worker readers.

State GOP Irked by Criticism of Slush Fund

By Michael Singer

ALBANY, Jan. 17.—Aroused by opposition criticism that he is using the state's \$740,000,000 surplus as a "slush fund" at the expense of veterans and low-cost housing, the state-Republican machine in the legislature today attempted to defend the GOP in a statement that was significant mainly for its pique and defensiveness.

While the counterblast was issued in a joint-statement by Senate Finance Committee Chairman Arthur W. Wicks and Assembly Ways and Means Committee Chairman D. Mallory Stephens, the "detailed item by item" rebuttal, it was learned, was Dewey's own retort. In it, the Republican high command calls its "overall total" of \$69,000,000 "from the reconstruction fund for emergency housing for veterans" "a brilliant record of accomplishment, second to none in the nation, in service to veterans."

The Democrats, whose political jockeying on veteran housing and the use of the state surplus to drain off heavy consumer taxes, is no less scandalous than the Republican record, have been leveling heavy barrages at Dewey's "slush fund" with an eye to public support in the 1950 gubernatorial campaign.

Buoyed up by the knowledge that upstate Republicans are incensed at the governor's refusal to get them off the "electoral hook" by eliminating continued nuisance taxes and inflated by the governor's presidential defeat, the Democrats have begun a systematic needling process in both legislative houses.

DEWEY PIQUED

Today's Republican reaction is the first indication that Dewey's political hide has been pierced. The two Republican leaders call the Democratic charges "reckless," "irresponsible" and "cheap politics." The statement insists that the Democratic spokesmen "apologize for their deception and hypocrisy on the floor in both houses of the legislature."

Trying hard to make the mantle of the veterans' champion fit, the Republicans claim that the emergency housing program has provided 9,376 apartments in 75 housing projects in 40 municipali-

ties; 20,015 apartments at colleges for married vet students and dormitory facilities for 14,166 vet students.

The Democrats, headed by State Senate minority leader Elmer Quinn and Assembly minority chief Irwin Steingut, are raising the demand for a \$300,000 bonded emergency vet housing program and use of the state's tremendous surplus instead of further legislative taxes on consumers.

City Considers 3 New Judges

Creation of three new \$14,000-a-year judgeships was considered yesterday by Mayor O'Dwyer and the Board of Estimate at an informal executive session. Board members were given until next Wednesday to study a report by Judge George B. DeLuca, Presiding Justice of the Court of Special Sessions, asking for three new judges.

The report was signed by all Special Sessions Justices except Judge Frederick L. Hackenberg. The request was made on the basis of the increased number of cases handled by the Court. New judges would be appointed by the Mayor for 10-year terms. Mayor O'Dwyer has also sent the request to Budget Director Thomas J. Patterson.

FDR Jr. Appointed

Mayor O'Dwyer yesterday appointed Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., as chairman of the Mayor's Committee on Unity. Roosevelt succeeds Justice Edward Lazansky, who has been acting chairman since the resignation of Charles Evans Hughes, Jr., last June. Formed by the late Mayor LaGuardia to "promote mutual understanding and respect among racial and religious groups in the community," the Committee has in the main been a paper committee under O'Dwyer.

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Detroit Cops Slug Negro on Picket Line

DETROIT, Jan. 17.—A brutal police attack was made on Frank Thorp, Negro Ford worker, as he walked the picket line, Friday at the Great Lakes Insurance Co. strike now in its fourth month. Grabbed by three policemen, while a fourth hit him across the mouth with a blackjack. Thorp had to be taken to the hospital.

He was then taken to court, charged with assault and battery, and held for trial. More than 70 workers were on the picket line including Tommy Thompson, president of Ford Local 600, when the brutal assault took place.

The bitterly-fought strike was started four months ago when Charles Mahoney head of the Great Lakes Insurance Co., refused to bargain with the CIO United Office and Professional Workers Union on either wages or union recognition.

COPS ATTACK STRIKERS

The picket line has been the subject of numerous attacks by police.

Consistent support has come from Ford Local 600 which supplied pickets, finances and three full time aides to help the strikers all of whom are Negro women.

Meanwhile the strikebreaking proposals of the Wayne County CIO Council led by Al Barbour, a Social Democrat, and Mike Nowak, have aroused a storm of protests from unions.

The Council proposed that UOPWA Local 26 remove itself from the strike. The Council said it would make efforts to have the strikers reinstated in their jobs, without a union contract and that at some future date the Council will seek to bring the strikers into another union than the UOPWA.

A storm of denunciations forced the Council to withdraw its "offer." The strike still continues.

The London Daily Worker declared that 50 traders were arrested after the protest action which took place Jan. 10.

Recapture by the Democratic Army of three Peloponnesian heights from the monarcho-fascist troops was reported Friday. The three heights retaken in fighting Jan. 7 were St. Nicholas, Maxi and Arbuna.

Democratic Army commando units are rapidly increasing their sabotage inside Salonika. The Democratic Army blew up two telephone exchanges in the center of the city on Tsimiski St. outside the cathedral. They also blew up several cars filled with monarchist navy officers in Cleftheria Square. DYNAMITE BUILDING

The commandos also dynamited the Drossos building and the explosion caused a considerable number of casualties on military personnel.

Another military victory was racked up by the Democratic Army Jan. 1 and 2, when units of the Eighth Division carried out a surprise attack on the fascists holding heavily fortified positions in the Likorahi, Theotokos and Pirsogianni sectors. They routed the fascists, killed 50 and wounded 120.

Citizens in a number of villages, including Polipotamos and Triantafillia in the Florina area, have formed joint reconciliation and fraternization committees. The groups are composed of the parents of sons fighting either in the Democratic or monarchist armies. They submitted to the Florina monarchist authorities joint appeals asking for immediate cessation of the civil war and for the conclusion of a democratic agreement on the basis of the proposals put forth by the Democratic government.

An increasing number of Greek seamen abroad are demanding that the Athens government agree immediately to these proposals.

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DIGGING OUT IN THE GOLDEN WEST



Trying to smashing through 20-foot drifts, which cut rail traffic between Cheyenne, Wyo., and Ft. Collins, Colo., a hard-working locomotive pushes a rotary snowplow through the mounds of snow.

British Resume War Against Malaysians

SINGAPORE, Jan. 17 (ALN).—Fighting has resumed between Malayan independence groups and British troops sent to suppress them, after a lull of some weeks. New British forces landed on the Malayan coast Jan. 4 under cover of a naval bombardment and British advance parties have already been ambushed in several places.

Warfare in Malay began in June, 1948, after the British suppressed the Pan-Malayan Federation of Trade Unions. The British action was taken to push wages in the country's tin and rubber industries back to prewar coolie levels, because profits on the Malayan products are one of Britain's few sources of U. S. dollar exchange. Malayan workers, many of whom had fought as guerrillas against Japanese occupation during World War II, took to arms to defend their living standards and their unions. They proclaimed their intention of no longer submitting to British rule.

The fighting steadily increased in intensity as the British enraged Malayan labor by shooting presi-

dent Tan Kan of the Rubber Workers Union, bombing villages from the air and importing savage headhunting tribesmen from Borneo to track down resistance groups.

Protests against British suppression in Malaya have come from union bodies in Australia, China, India, Indonesia and Britain itself. Australian longshoremen and seamen have refused to handle arms shipments to the country.

PROKOFIEFF PROGRESSING ON BALLET, MOSCOW SAYS

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Serge Sergeyevitch Prokofieff, Soviet composer, is working on a new ballet, it was reported today over the Moscow radio. The radio comment

was that "there are reasons to believe it will be a success."

The broadcast said a group of musicians and leading artists of the Moscow Grand Opera recently heard fragments "and liked it."

The ballet is "based on tales of the Urals . . . and depicts human beings striving for beauty and joy, serving the people," Moscow said.

The broadcast said Prokofieff's latest opera, however, "clung to his former position which the public condemned."

Moscow recently had reviewed favorably Dmitri Shostakovich's music for the Soviet film "Young Guard." It said he had written music for two other films and was working on an opera.

Soviet Metal Workers Get Bonuses

MOSCOW, Jan. 17 (ALN).—Metal industries in the Soviet Union have just completed paying their year-end personnel bonuses to all workers and employees who have worked in the same plant 12 months or more. The bonuses range from 10 percent to 30 percent of annual pay, depending on length of service. Iron and steel workers in the Magnitogorsk industrial area of Siberia alone collected over 20 million rubles.

Chinese People's Army Revives a City

By Michael Evans

NORTH SHENSI (By Mail)

—How the People's Liberation Army restored life to Tsinan, capital of Shantung Province, offers a good example of the policy of the liberators toward newly liberated cities.

The problems met and solved in Tsinan were substantially the same as the problems to be faced in taking over such major cities as Peiping, Tientsin, Nanking and Shanghai.

Tsinan is a modern city of 800,000. It was freed Sept. 24 after only eight days' assault, although it was originally estimated that several weeks would be needed to capture this heavily-fortified Kuomintang stronghold. Two days after liberation, an emergency military administrative council was functioning. By the end of the first month, factories and shops had resumed business as usual, food was coming into the city in adequate quantities; a census of the population had been taken, public

services were restored, schools and colleges reopened.

RIGHT PLAN, RIGHT PEOPLE

The smooth transformation can be attributed to the well-devised policy of the people's forces towards liberated cities, to a large and adequately trained staff to administer that policy, and the eager cooperation of the population.

The first problem was to get the city back on its feet. Existing officials who registered for work under the new regime, retained their jobs. "The only people for whom we have no jobs are the secret police agents," said one administrator.

Then the city administrative system was taken over, department by department and district by district. Under the Kuomintang, the city had been dissected into four large districts, eight sub-districts, and dozens of subordinate groupings down to the "pao chia" (a grouping of 100 households deriving from Chinese imperial administrative practice). While the new democratic authorities had no intention of retaining this complex,

bureaucrat system—designed only as a means of suppressing the people—they first took it over as the initial step towards abolishing it.

By midsummer, the 7,000 cadres were assembled in a nearby liberated town to study their job. All the main posts had been assigned a good two months before the battle for Tsinan began. Each cadre then took an intensive course covering both over-all city policy and the particular technical knowledge needed for his job. Each department drafted its regulations and a detailed plan of campaign.

The biggest problem to be studied during this preparation was how to mobilize the population and teach them the new procedure. The teachers stressed over and over again: "You can't use country methods in the city."

In a small village it is easy enough to call a meeting to explain some new point to the people and mobilize them in carrying it out. But in the city, particularly a city still in a chaotic condition after a battle, there exist very different problems.

The answer was posters—thousands of posters!

These were printed and went into the city with the advance troops. It was a common sight to see a soldier go into battle with a gun in one hand and a roll of posters in the other. One soldier commented "It was fight, paste; fight, paste; fight, paste all the time!"

The posters did their job well. Throughout the first week they attracted crowds of people at all hours of the day. Many took notes of the instructions they contained.

Cultural activities were also prepared in advance. Drama groups entered the city with the liberating forces. The New Democratic economic policy went into force immediately. By December, Tsinan's economy had in many cases already exceeded pre-liberation levels. Prices dropped by 20 percent. The new democratic authorities have shown that they can deal just as efficiently with the complex and complicated problems of the city as with those of the countryside.

Abandoned, Boy Battles Sea 40 Hours

By Arnold Sroog

About three weeks ago newspaper readers were treated to a tale of a 13-year-old cabin boy's heroic 40-hour struggle against the sea and sharks off the coast of Cuba, in the course of which the boy's 14-year-old companion perished.

But behind this tale of heroism and self-sacrifice lay a rotten and sordid story of profit, exploitation, of child labor aboard ship, of mistreatment and callousness which ended in death for a Danish boy, and harrowing, 40-hour terror for Tony Latona, of Sacramento, Calif., who survived.

Both Tony and his pal, 14-year-old Bent Jeppesen from Copenhagen, Denmark, were sailing as cabin boys aboard the Danish merchantman Grete Maersk, coming up from the Panama Canal to New York on the last leg of a voyage to the Far East. Passing between Santo Domingo and Cuba, Tony said, Bent fell overboard. Tony threw him a life belt and then went overboard himself to save Bent, hoping someone aboard ship would notice them.

NINE-HOUR STRUGGLE

This happened between one and two p. m. when the lads were about 10 miles off the Cuban shore. The Grete Maersk went on, with no one noticing their absence, and then began a terrific struggle against the sea and sharks. After nine hours of attempting to swim to shore and beat off the sharks, in which both lads were bitten several times, Bent was dragged under and disappeared. It was not until after sunrise the next morning that

Tony managed to reach shore, bleeding, exhausted and tortured by thirst.

He was found by some Cuban plantation workers who took care of him.

However, two members of the Grete Maersk's crew, who told their story to this reporter, have another version of what happened. They charge that had proper steps been taken by the ship's officers the two boys would have been found and Bent Jeppesen would not have died.

These two crewmen, whom we will call John and Jim (to protect them from company reprisals), charged to the Daily Worker that the skipper of the Grete Maersk did not retrace his course until 5:10 p. m. and that he only went back for one hour, when it was apparent that the two lads had fallen overboard more than one hour's voyage away.

CONCERN FOR PROFIT

They charged further that the ship's officers were more concerned with making time for the run to New York than with saving the two lads. As a result, when the two boys were discovered to be missing at 4 p. m. and a search of the ship was instituted, the ship was not put about immediately when it was discovered that the two life belts were missing, indisputable evidence that they were overboard.

Instead, they charged, the captain insisted that they were "hiding" on the ship, and for almost one more hour the Grete Maersk continued away from the boys at a speed of 16 knots. If the Grete

Maersk had reversed her course when the life belts were found missing, John and Jim charged, it could have returned in time to the scene where the cabin boys fell overboard and they would have been saved.

Further, they charged, the action of the captain in going back for only one hour was merely for the record and was not a serious attempt to find the boys. Since they were discovered missing at 4 p. m. and the ship did not head about until 5:10 p. m., it was clear that the Grete Maersk could not in one hour retrace the distance to where Tony and Bent had gone overboard.

BOYS MISTREATED

John and Jim also charged that Tony and Bent were subjected to constant mistreatment aboard the Grete Maersk, and were abused and pushed around by several of the ship's officers. The two lads were not allowed shore leave, although the vessel's trip from New York to Japan, Tsingtao, Shanghai and Manila and back lasted four and one-half months.

Both boys were far below the legal age for working on ships. They were paid a miserable \$30 a month for a 10-hour working day. For the entire return voyage from Manila they had no quarters and were forced to sleep on deck. No wonder Tony said, after he was rescued, that he was "through with the sea."

The wages aboard this ship were far below American union standards, although it was engaged in purely American trade and was, in

fact, chartered by an American company from its Danish owners, A. P. Moller of Copenhagen. The whole racket of shipping American cargo in foreign bottoms so as to pay lower wages is exposed by the story of the Grete Maersk, which is owned in Denmark but has never made a voyage there. It is engaged exclusively in the New York to Far East run and is chartered out regularly to American firms by its Danish owners.

CONTRACT LABOR

Another damning fact concerning the two unfortunate cabin boys, Tony and Bent, is that they were contract labor. Reminiscent of the conditions in the early 19th century, such boys are signed to an 18-month contract at \$30 a month and cannot quit the company's employ for this whole period. During this time, the company has the right to use them on any vessel under any conditions.

Conditions for the crew of the Grete Maersk were not much better, according to John and Jim. They had quarters that were totally inadequate. In addition to having bunks too small, their feet hanging

over the end when they slept, they had no place to sit. There was completely inadequate ventilation of the crew's quarters, a single skylight serving this purpose. The quarters are, in fact, merely a partitioned-off section of a cargo hold.

WORMS IN SOUP

Food was terrible, John stating that he had lost 22 pounds on the trip. So inadequate were mess quarters that both of them ate all their meals standing for the four and one-half months of the voyage. Worms were found several times in the soup that was served daily, while the meat, served only at lunch, was often rotten. Supper was always cold cuts of the cheapest variety.

The crew saw milk twice during the entire voyage and received exactly two pieces of fresh fruit weekly. On the return from the Far East, fresh water was rationed (once daily) so that the company could carry extra cargo—oil—in the second water tank.

Both John and Jim said that such conditions were rather a new situation, having come about in the past year. They both attribute it to the Marshall Plan, which has made western European shipowners arrogant toward seamen.

Tomorrow's China

(Continued from Page 4)

turing American telephone equipment. It is better than that of the Japs. You can use on it either voice or Morse."

They showed me captured American weapons, a Remington-Rand pistol, an Underwood carbine. "These are samples brought for study," they said. "Most of the captured weapons stay at the front for use. We have also captured heavy artillery, tanks and bazookas."

Pointing to the maps on the wall, they said: "They are detail maps of the Area. We took them from the Japs. The Japs made very good maps. We have mounted them on sheets of cotton so they can be quickly taken down and re-hung."

AT A WORD of command an orderly brought in sample cases from the secret archives. Every-

What's On?

Coming

YOU ARE CORDIALLY invited to a farewell party in honor of Herb and Ruth Hallbow on their departure for Ohio. Saturday evening, Jan. 22, 11:30 St. John's Place, Brooklyn. Admission free. Kings County Board and Kings County Youth Board, C.P.

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thing was neatly filed in tin boxes or in leather knapsacks. "Everything in our headquarters can be taken down and packed in half an hour," said Po I-po. "It can all be transported on two mules and the backs of a few men. It can be set up in one hour in any place to which we go."

"We have about 200 men at headquarters, not counting sentries and orderlies. We include here our Operations, Intelligence, Departments of Discipline and Education, military administration and personnel and signal corps. We do not include here our rear services, i.e., supplies, transport, medical department, weapons and ammunition. These departments need not even be in the same county. They are placed according to convenience and we reach them by messengers, telephone or radio."

The daily program of work of the general staff was as follows: They rose at six and gave the first two hours to individual study. "I personally," said Po I-po, "am studying Chairman Mao's recent instructions on land reform and also the reports that come from our villages. For theoretical study I am giving some time to Lenin's Two Tactics."

"Each of us has his individual program. At eight we all breakfast together on rice and two vegetables. Then we assemble here for three hours' joint work. After that the heads of departments—of G1, G2 and so on—go to their own offices and direct the work of their subordinates. At four we have our second and last meal, which is wheat bread, two vegetables and tea. At five we take an hour's recreation. Evenings are for miscellaneous work."

The city of Hantan was a convenient place to work in. It had better housing and electric light. But there are advantages also in working in a village. There are fewer distractions. In a city one becomes inclined to bureaucracy.

Here everything is quiet and we concentrate on our work."

BY A ROUGH stone path that wound through rolling country I came to the village that housed the departments of civil government. On the way I passed donkeys carrying cotton to market, shoes for the army, bundles of newspapers going to distribution centers. The "government village" was under the brow of a hill.

The atmosphere was gentler, more civilian, less snappy than at army headquarters. A mild-mannered woman named Sun Wen-hsu proved to be secretary general of the government. She had an office in a stone flagged room some 10-by-20 feet in size, with paper windows giving light. She had, she said, 13 offices for various parts of her work. Ten percent of the civil service employees, she said, were women.

The Four Provinces Area, explained Miss Sun, had grown from the anti-Japanese base set up in 1937, in southwest Shansi, by General Liu Po-cheng under orders of Chu Teh. It had spread until it now included 193 counties. Some of these had had elected governments for several years, while others were liberated in the final overthrow of the Japanese. General elections to the People's Congress of the Area were held every two years, in March. The Congress contained 750 members, and had chosen a standing committee of forty-four with a chairman, vice-chairman and secretary-general.

Tomorrow: Budgeting in the Free Areas.

Saves Bus As Driver Dies

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 17 (UP).—The operator of a crowded downtown bus died at the wheel today but an alert passenger grabbed the emergency brake and stopped the massive vehicle safely.

To all

Fighters for Freedom:

The mass delegation of Freedom Crusaders in Washington today is striking a powerful blow for the preservation of American liberty—for the right of all Americans to their own political beliefs. We call upon all freedom-loving New Yorkers to join the growing protest against the betrayal of the Bill of Rights. Protest the trial of a political party! Join the Fight for Freedom!

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Thursday, Jan. 20

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Defend the Bill of Rights!
Smash the Indictments!

Around the Globe

By Joseph Starobin

The Open Road To World Peace

A REMARKABLE discovery has been made in the past week, but nobody seems more anxious to dismiss it, distort it, and bury it than the people who made it. A "new Moscow peace offensive" has been uncovered by the editors of the N. Y. Times, but they evidently find the thought of peace so offensive that they hasten to immerse the whole thing in the waters of deep confusion.

Last Tuesday, the dean of the French Communists, Marcel Cachin, greeted the new session of the French Chamber of Deputies by reaffirming that war is not inevitable, and emphasizing the possibility of an American-Soviet settlement.

For Sunday's edition, the enterprising Times reporter in Paris called attention to an article in *Cahiers du Communisme*, the French Communist monthly, which also combats the idea of inevitable war. Commemorating the anniversary of Lenin's death, the article reminds its readers of the basic Leninist principle that the two social systems can co-exist for an indefinite period. The thesis that Socialism needs a war in order to triumph in western Europe is also sharply rejected.

Still making a mystery out of this "peace offensive" Monday's Times reports Palmiro Togliatti, the Italian Communist leader, also rejecting the idea of inevitable war.

ALL THIS is supposed to be more than coincidence, and is said to be a new "Moscow line." For the Times will never go back on its own line that Communists everywhere and anytime must get Moscow's permission to say anything. Very well, let that pass. What conclusion is to be drawn from these statements?

On Monday, the Times dismisses it all as simply a piece of dialectic. Having discovered the obvious, the Times hastens to bury it, and to advise us not to let ourselves be misled by anything so subversive as the possibility of an American-Soviet settlement. One would almost think this was the Times' purpose: to play up the Italian and French declarations in such a way as to make it more difficult for Americans to understand them and act upon them.

IT IS A MATTER of record, well-established and well-known to anyone who wants to know, that Lenin and Stalin believed that the co-existence of the two social systems was possible for an indefinite period; Stalin has often within four years envisaged not only co-existence, but cooperation provided the will for such cooperation really exists.

To present all this as something sensationally new is just a pitiful reflection of the atmosphere of hysteria and misinformation in which so many Americans live. Thus, there is no "new line" in the Cachin and Togliatti speeches.

BUT IT IS TRUE, I think, that there is a definite emphasis in their statements which reflects the present stage of the struggle for peace and national independence in western Europe. There has always been the problem, in alerting people to the danger of war, that the idea of its imminence or its inevitability creeps in. The cry that war is just around the corner induces a feeling of helplessness and apathy just as much (or even more) as it arouses people to action. Under the pressure of an inevitable catastrophe which cannot be averted, people become resigned and apathetic, and it becomes that much easier to pick their pockets.

We have seen how the Roosevelt policies were scrapped in our country under the panic of the Truman Doctrine; in western Europe today, the strongest argument for the North Atlantic alliance is the idea of an inevitable war.

By holding out the perspective of a successful fight for peace, and by warning the ruling circles that they are going to be left out on a limb in case the cold war is called off, the French and Italian Communists give their peoples the perspective of winning the peace which also demobilizes their ruling circles.

FOR US AMERICANS, the conclusion which the Times tries to bury away should be obvious: no one is preparing to fight us, no one is threatening our security; the way toward a durable settlement is open, if we wish to take it; and the responsibility for not taking it will lie upon us.

VIRGIL - Making a Day of It

By Len Kleis



Letters from Readers

Urges Constant Fight on Jimcrow

Editor, Daily Worker:

We cannot combat racial prejudice if we do not fight it in daily conduct.

Take the house you live in. Are there any Negroes or Puerto Ricans living there? If not, then start there. If you own an apartment in which you are renting rooms, rent a Negro or Puerto Rican a room to show that jimcrow can be broken in your house.

Take the plant or office where you work. Are Negroes employed there? If not, begin to organize to get Negroes in.

Then comes the question of Negro friends and acquaintances. If you have none, you make it your business to change that. I think that in almost every religion the brotherhood of man is advocated. But see if you can think of one which really adheres to that doctrine. It's up to you to achieve such unity.

T. GREEN

Sammy Levenson's Humor Defended

Editor, Daily Worker:

You carried a letter recently on Sammy Levenson's humor, which was based on Louis Harap's article in *Jewish Life*.

Both of these presume to judge and attack a man upon the basis of a few excerpts from his

book or a few inept jokes. Levenson is not progressive because he contributed his services to some progressive groups. His work has been used in sore spots of inter-racial conflicts by the Board of Education, Christian and Jewish conferences, and wherever discrimination appeared.

While some items in his programs may appear crude or not in good taste, he always speaks of the poor common folks, their struggle and aspirations, and his Jewish-American East Side characters never lose the dignity of their Jewish culture. His humor is real folk humor, and everyone in the audience enjoys it because it is a true picture of his or her life.

JACK LEVIN

Against Pictures That Slur Women

Editor, Daily Worker:

Our Daily Worker is the best newspaper in the country because it's the only paper that consistently fights for the interests of the American working-class and its allies.

In way of criticism, we feel that it's very important for the Daily to eliminate the cheesecake pictures. These pictures have no liberating effect for women and the workingclass but, on the contrary, are used to perpetuate male supremacy through the idea that sex is a women's only attribute.

Phyllis & Morty



"One of your great freedoms is the freedom of selection."

World of Labor

By George Morris

Unemployed Already A Problems For Unions

UNEMPLOYMENT is spreading fast. In New York State the first week of 1949 saw 58,000 added to the unemployment insurance list, making a grand total of 468,000 — an increase of 70 percent within three months. This doesn't take into account those who exhausted their jobless benefits and were stricken off the rolls. In December alone 31,000 were so stricken off New York rolls and in the first week of 1949, 10,000 more were dropped.

Nor does that figure take into account the rapid rise in the number on the verge of starvation who must apply for home relief. In the city of New York, 7,472 families applied for home relief in November, 8,725 in December — a 17 percent rise. Welfare Commissioner Raymond L. Hilliard is worried. He expects many on insurance rolls to turn into home relief cases in several months, because by the time their jobless checks run out, their savings, if they have any, will run out, too. And its getting harder to find a job. Then there is a great number, more than a third of those employed who aren't covered by insurance. Many of them, though unemployed, are unregistered in any kind of relief agency. It is safe to add at least 50 percent to the unemployment insurance figure to get the extent of unemployment in the state.

THE PICTURE is not as serious in most other parts of the country, but the trend is the same. Federal officials say 1,941,000 were drawing unemployment insurance last week in the country. One report credits federal sources with a prediction of 4,000,000 on insurance rolls by Spring. That would easily represent an actual unemployment total of nearly twice that figure.

"Lack of orders" is most common explanation for the layoffs and short time. "Lack of defense work" is a common explanation for the slowness of some plants to start work. The cheer leaders assure us that the slump is temporary. But they don't seem very convincing. Those who shout that there is no cause for alarm sound plausible. We can have 10,000,000 unemployed and still show more industrial activity than we had before the war. The number of workers and productivity has increased immensely for the last 10 years.

Several industries are already in a near crisis condition and some unions are feeling it. About half of the seamen are on the beach. Electrical manufacturing, clothing, textile, furniture, shoes, millinery, coal mining and waterfront work have been hit. Kaiser-Frazer laid off 8,500 and put the rest of his auto workers on short time. Other automobile plants are getting the creeps.

WHAT WILL LABOR do about joblessness? In some unions the leaders won't do a thing, if they can get away with it. The basic right wing view is that there are too many workers in the industry if there is unemployment, so the best thing to do is to just let them get eliminated by starvation. That is how Joe Curran feels about the shipping picture. In the last issue of his *Pilot* he screamed frantically against the "Communists" for raising the issue and calling for action to get work for thousands of seamen who have been beached for months. Curran wants to build up his clique on the basis of keeping some unemployed all the time and others shipping all the time. His stooges run the hiring hall.

The Curran tactic is designed to make enemies for the union and throw it into the arms of the employers, possibly for strikebreaking purposes, if needed. The progressive tactic is for the union to extend every possible aid to its unemployed in breaking through relief red tape, obtaining emergency work and otherwise showing them that the union does not lose interest in them.

In addition there is the problem of organizing the jobless who are not in unions or whose unions have no interest in them. We do not have the widespread unemployment that gave birth to the Unemployment Councils and Workers Alliance of the thirties. But in some areas the need for such movement is, or soon will be, urgent. With the experience of the prewar days still fresh in our minds, there is no reason why thousands of people must starve and sleep in parks before real steps are taken to organize the unemployed for substantial relief or emergency projects.

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The First Day

THE FIRST DAY OF THE FRAMEUP TRIAL of the 12 Communist Party leaders was strictly in style with the motive of the entire proceeding. The police authorities carefully timed a vast police cordon around the Court House to give the hired press their screaming, hysteria-breeding headline: "REDS FACE TRIAL AS COPS BRACE FOR PICKETS ONSLAUGHT" (World-Telegram).

Thus, the staging of the trial follows out the fraud of the indictment. Both are intended to convey to the American people that "force and violence" are part of the Communist philosophy of peace, security, democracy and Socialism.

THIS IS AN OLD TRICK. When the notorious Attorney General Palmer was raiding labor halls, he discovered carefully planted "bombs" under his doorstep. The fact that the authorities and the press already believe that the American public has lost the Constitutional right to "petition for redress of grievances," because such petition is "force and violence," proves the real goal of the entire frameup.

In Washington, the new boss of the Un-American Committee, Rep. Wood, warns all Congressmen not to heed petitions or delegations from back home on the ground that such protests constitute "force and violence." And the newspapers eagerly echo the incitement.

The New York Herald Tribune enunciates the police state philosophy that the Government must ascertain "whether Communism is in itself a criminal or subversive gospel, or another belief entitled to contend in the 'marketplace of ideas.'" Thus, only officially approved ideas will be permitted. Others can be outlawed as "subversive gospel," as Pontius Pilate outlawed and hounded another "subversive gospel" centuries ago.

It is not difficult to see how cheaply and cynically the Big Business reactionaries who own and control our country view the democratic rights established by the Bill of Rights. They are not only ready to outlaw the Socialist philosophy of Marxism; they are labeling as subversive all opposition to the "cold war," all support for American-Soviet peace, for higher wages and for drastic curbs on the trusts.

It is the entire nation which will be their victim, if they are not stopped by public indignation and resistance.

THE PRESS DECLAIMS against the right of Americans to protest in public. It would have been better for the German people and the world if there had been similar protests around the German court where the Hitlerites were framing their Reichstag Fire conspiracy in 1933.

These provocations in the press, and the circus organized by the police indicate that the conspirators who framed this indictment fear the moral anger of the nation. They know that they do not have the support of the American people. They are lying to the people in the wildest fashion. They are trying to intimidate the entire nation.

We urge every American to stand up for his right to judge the Communist philosophy for himself. We urge every American to spurn the police state "thought control" of the "cold war" mob. We urge the public to assert its right to state its views publicly, in an organized and peaceful manner, before the Court. We urge that large groups visit the trial every day to show that America stands alert—the way Germany was not alert—to the peril of fascism embodied in the indictment and the circus staged by the police.

25 Years of the Daily Worker

Reminiscences of the early days of a fighting working class newspaper by some of the old-timers who were there at the start. . . . Greetings from working class papers abroad. . . . An estimate of the paper's future and contrast to the U. S. monopoly press. . . .

Lenin and America

The story of Vladimir Lenin, who led the party that established the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. . . . His contribution to science. . . . His approach to America and to the question of peace in our time.

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As We See It

A Significant Casualty Of the Cold War

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON



THE UNITED PRESS last week carried a dispatch asserting that the USSR was reducing its exports of manganese to the U. S. and that this country "may ease restrictions on shipments of non-war goods to, Russia in an effort to keep Soviet manganese flowing to American steel mills."

At the Department of Commerce where I went to check on these reports I was told that it was "only a rumor" that the Soviet Union was cutting down on its manganese shipments to the U. S. Although American importers of manganese and chrome have reportedly been advised by Moscow that shipments will be reduced, the department had no official information.

On the other hand, top men in the department said there was absolutely no indication of any plans by the Secretary of Commerce, the Office of International Trade or President Truman to relax present restrictions on exports to eastern Europe. One official told me it was true that a number of manufacturers, especially of machinery, had expressed the desire to resume trade relations with the Soviet Union and other countries of eastern Europe, but he saw no prospect of action along this line.

If it is true the Soviet government has decided to limit its ex-

ports of manganese and chrome, both of which are strategic war metals, to the U. S., it would be a step justified by the American attitude.

LAST MAY, during the interchange between Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov and the U. S. Ambassador, the Soviet government raised very sharply the question of U. S. discrimination against Soviet trade.

"The unfriendly policy of the U. S. government in regard to the USSR is also revealed in Soviet-American trade," Molotov said. "Under the Trade Agreement concluded between our two states, the U. S. government is obliged not to apply to exports of commodities from the U. S. A. to the Soviet Union any more burdensome rules or formalities than those applied in regard to any third country."

"However, the present policy of the U. S. government disregards this undertaking . . . and completely contradicts the Soviet-American Trade Agreement in that it establishes discrimination against the USSR, despite the fact that the Soviet Union discharges its obligations under the said agreement in good faith. As a result of this, the export of American goods to the USSR is being disrupted, although the Soviet Union has made advance payments for these goods, or has even paid in full for them." This also causes harm to the American firms concerned. It is perfectly obvious that such a situation cannot be tolerated.

(This government does not attempt to deny the existence of

discrimination against Soviet trade. The Commerce Department has a list of what it calls "R" countries, containing the names of the USSR and those eastern European governments which it calls "the Soviet bloc." Under this system no licenses are granted for the shipment to these countries of any materials which might have the remotest use in time of war.

SINCE THAT covers virtually every commodity, it remains a matter of pure discretion whether anything is permitted to leave these shores for eastern European ports. A list of exportable commodities has been prepared, however, known as the GRO. It contains such articles as fur wearing apparel (of which the Soviets have a bountiful supply) some clothing, toilet paper, bicycles, and tomato ketchup.

Under this circumstance, it is no wonder that U. S. exports to eastern Europe have declined from \$43 million in 1946 to an annual rate of \$7 million in the third quarter of 1948. Exports to the USSR, which were almost \$11 million in 1946, were trickling across the ocean at an annual rate of a mere \$132,000 by the third quarter of 1948.

Eastern Europe, including the USSR, has maintained fairly high levels of exports to the U. S., with the most recent figures reflecting an annual rate of \$160 million. The Soviet Union alone has been supplying materials to the U. S. at an annual rate of \$98 million.

This has provided the Soviet (Continued on Page 10)



By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn
DEAR Comrade Flynn:

Enclosed find a letter that Eugene V. Debs wrote to Comrade Foster when he was arrested in 1922. I copied the letter from David Karsner's book *Talks With Debs in Terre Haute, 1922*. I preface it with some remarks about the actions of the present social democrats. I believe it would be of interest to have it pointed out at present. You may do in your widely read column in the Daily.

Yours comrade,
S. D. LEVINE

Of the editorial staff of the *Morning Freiheit*.
(Note: I first met Comrade Levine in Lawrence, Mass., during the big textile strike in 1912, when he was the Boston correspondent of the *Daily Forward*, then a socialist paper, E. G. F.)

IN OUR FIGHT for freedom for our comrades, who are the victims of a frame-up so commonly used against active fighters for the interest of labor (writes Comrade Levine) we find the social democrats, their press *The Jewish Daily Forward* and *New Leader* lined up with the most reactionary capitalist

elements in helping to incite the red hysteria and in serving as police informers against our comrades.

At this time, it is interesting to call to the attention of the workers who are misled by this traitor how differently true socialists have acted in the olden times. The best example is the great socialist leader, Eugene V. Debs.

I am sure that were Debs alive today, if he were not in jail on some frame-up charges together with our 12 comrades, he would be in the forefront in the fight for their defense.

Following is a copy of a letter that Eugene V. Debs wrote to Comrade William Z. Foster in 1922, when Foster was kidnapped by police in Denver, Colorado, while on a speaking tour for the Trade Union Educational League, dragged to Wyoming, brutally handled and put in jail. Debs, from his sick bed in a sanatorium, after his imprisonment in Atlanta prison, wrote the following letter to Comrade Foster:

Elmhurst, Ill.,
Aug. 22, 1922.

William Z. Foster,
Chicago.

Dear Comrade Foster:
If I were not confined to a sani-

torium under treatment, I would at once be with you and tender my service in any way in my power. The miserable wretches in Colorado and Wyoming, especially the capitalist hireling who masquerades as governor of the former state, who brutally marshaled you in the name of law and order, have sown dragon's teeth from which will spring in due time the warriors of the revolution, who will sweep the corrupt system, of which they are the servile lackeys, from the face of the earth.

You are to be congratulated,

after all, upon the infamous outrage perpetrated upon you in the name of capitalist law and justice, for in these outrages committed by their hirelings is revealed their fear of their thieving and brutal masters, and this is the highest compliment they could possibly pay you. They know that you cannot be bought, bribed or bullied, so they got their dogs at your heels to drive you off their reservation.

I need not sympathize with you nor bid you to be strong, for you have the strength to stand and you need no sympathy, and all I have

to say is that when I have recovered my strength sufficiently to take up my work again I shall be with you shoulder to shoulder in your stand for the working class and industrial freedom, and, meanwhile, I am,

Yours fraternally,
EUGENE DEBS.

Debs was also a member in the defense committees to defend the Communists and other radicals who in the early 20's were victims of persecution of the master class.

Let those who pretend to honor the memory of the great socialist leader follow his example and come to the defense of our 12 leading comrades now on trial and all the other victims of the red hysteria incited by the reactionary and fascist elements of the United States.

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AS WE SEE IT

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Union and its neighbors with a considerable supply of dollars which they cannot spend, or can spend only with difficulty, despite the fact that they need many American products.
One of their needs, of course, is machinery to help rehabilitate their industry following Hitler's depredations.
According to Commerce Department figures, exports of machinery from the U. S. have declined from \$217 million for

the month of April to \$160 million in September. Inventories have been rising and new orders are 14 percent below their peak of November, 1947.
Soviet leaders have always attached much importance to the development of American-Soviet trade, not only for its mutual economic benefits, but also because it lays a healthy basis for a friendly political relationship. American-Soviet trade has been one of the significant casualties of the cold war.

Press Roundup

THE JOURNAL-AMERICAN'S Paul Gallico urges mass pressure for a conviction of the 12 indicted Communist leaders. "Get into the fight, brother," he pleads. "Write McGohey of your support. Hold meetings of your own. Or if that isn't feasible, at whatever meeting you attend . . . introduce a resolution of support for McGohey."

THE HERALD TRIBUNE admits sustaining the indictments "would have the effect of outlawing the Communist Party as a whole." It says that "if domestic Communism is to be curbed" America needs the "facts of the sort which" the Un-American Committee has been trying to get. On the other hand, we can't judge these "facts" unless we "face the rock-bottom question of whether communism is in itself a criminal or subversive gospel" or entitled like all other beliefs "to contend in the democratic market place of ideas."

THE POST'S Marquis Childs asks how a U. S. military mission "under a first rank U. S. general could save at least part of China from communism," in a country where "the problem is infinitely more complicated and difficult, if it would not work in Greece."

THE NEWS nuzzles up to alleged "New Dealer" Chester Bowles, Governor of Connecticut, because he wants less taxes on business, production speedup from labor and because: "As for our present private enterprise system, Bowles says it has built us the greatest nation in the world, and we'd be nuts to abandon it."

THE STAR'S Mark Gayn writes

from Athens that "With official encouragement, the strength of the Rightist 'shadow government' is growing all over Greece. The Rightists collect 'taxes' for their own use, arrest or terrorize all opposition, make any progressive expression impossible, take over labor unions, and clamor for a 'strong man' in Athens."

THE MIRROR says: "Mr. Bevin's blind inability to recognize the fact of the Republic of Israel, plus his apparent deep-seated belief that Palestine is a satrapy of the British crown, have earned for him and his government the suspicion of the world."

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM notes "apprehension that Moscow propagandists may pick up the story" of Eva Peron's gift of clothing to 600 needy Washington children "and use it to prove that Americans live under miserable conditions compared to life in the Soviet Union." Such confidence in the strength of the glorious capitalist system!

THE SUN finds the "most interesting thing" about the new Congress' rules is the continuation of the Un-American Committee.

THE TIMES says the "success" of the Marshall Plan and the planned military alliance as a "defensive bulwark against Soviet aggression do seem to have brought sober second thoughts to Moscow, and may even have given new powers of persuasion to the 'peace party' which President Truman suspects to exist in the Kremlin." The Times is very worried about the new "peace offensive," it says.

China

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portance as a military nerve center. Chiang's Defense Ministry and gendarme headquarters slashed personnel to a minimum.

The Defense Ministry reportedly planned to move to Canton where it would be housed in the Canton Provincial Government House. Army headquarters, it was said, were being removed to Shaokwan, a small town near Canton. Gendarme headquarters also were going to Canton. The bulk of the air force and navy headquarters staff was already in Formosa.

Gen. Chen Cheng, Chiang's governor of Formosa, arrived here today from Taipei for consultations with Chiang on peace and the fortification of the island as a base of Kuomintang resistance.

The Peiping truce team went out to talk to the People's Liberation forces with permission of Chiang's North China commander, Fu Tso-yi. The team was to meet Yeh, Communist member of executive headquarters during Gen. George Marshall's abortive peace mission, at a small hotel in the former imperial hunting park outside the city.

A People's Liberation broadcast announced that a Peiping Peoples Government had been established as far back as Jan. 11 in preparation for fall of the capital. Yeh Chiang-ying was named as mayor and Hsu Pin as vice mayor. The broadcast said they already had taken over their duties.

Accept Eva's Gift

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (UP).—After much confusion and uncertainty, the Children's Aid Society, Inc., today accepted six crates of clothing donated to needy Washington children by the Eva Peron Foundation of Argentina.

One member of the society's advisory board promptly resigned in protest and a society official reported that many local donors have called to say "they can't contribute any more."

The Rev. Ralph E. Vawters who, with his wife, operates the society, had refused earlier to accept Mrs. Peron's gift because he feared that all the attendant publicity might have embarrassing international complications.

WFTU

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lian labor will give no support to the British motion that the World Federation of Trade Unions suspend activities for 12 months, or to any other move to weaken or dismember the world organization, Albert Monk, General-secretary of the Australian Council of Trade Unions said on his departure by air for Europe.

Should the WFTU be damaged or destroyed, Monk declared, it may take 20 years to build up a similar world labor center. Therefore, Monk said, he will make every effort to compose differences between unions of different political affiliations within the WFTU framework when he attends the next executive committee meeting of the world body in Paris.

700 in Capital

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chairman, electrified the delegates. They rose and cheered and applauded the noted Negro singer.

Robeson wound up the conference with a moving tribute to the Communist leaders on trial.

"I am here as a friend of the finest fighters for the people," he said. "Who could be more American than Bill Foster whose whole life was given over to the working class?"

"Their freedom is my freedom, your freedom, freedom for all oppressed people. They represent the future. I am with them."

From the invocation delivered by Rev. Kenneth R. Forbes to the last speaker on the resolution on political minorities, the delegates were sparked by a spirit of struggle and a will for unity.

"We have one desire," Thomas G. Buchanan, Jr., CRC Washington legislative representative, said, "and that's to bring all the pressure we can muster to guarantee the bill of rights to all the people."

CRC chairman George Marshall warned the delegates that "enemies of democracy" were threatening to provoke "violence."

"Don't be provoked into any kind of act or statement that may discredit the conference and this Freedom Crusade," he appealed.

Marshall singled out Rep. John Wood (D-Ga.) who addressed a letter to all other Congressmen about CRC's crusade. CRC countered by inviting Wood to the conference to explain the "acts of force and violence" taking place against Negro people in Georgia. Wood was not heard from after that.

Concern for the fight for civil rights legislation for Negro people, Mexican-Americans and against growing anti-semitism was centered in the conference's morning session.

ATTACK JIMCROW

Attacks on Jimcrow were made by George Murphy and Clark Foreman, Progressive Party leaders.

A Negro delegate from Cleveland was cheered when he told how five white delegates made a Childs restaurant manager back-track on a refusal to serve him.

Demands for strong anti-lynching laws, the ending of poll-taxes, and end to discrimination in Washington and in the armed forces and Government services were made by the delegates upon the 81st Congress.

Wants Germany to Keep More Plants

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 (UP).—European Recovery director Paul G. Hoffman today sent the State Department his recommendations for cutting down the number of German steel plants removed to other countries as war reparations.

12 Denounce 'Armed Camp' At U.S. Court

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"biggest trial of my life." He asked the court to give some indication, by postponing the trial, that "equal justice under the law exists in the United States."

Defense Attorney A. J. Isserman demanded that leading police officers and court officials be called to the witness stand to state how and why the large police mobilization was ordered.

"They are creating an opinion here that the foundations of society are trembling because 12 men have been brought to trial," Isserman declared.

At one point Attorney McCabe arose to say: "I am intimidated and I fear the presence in this room of certain armed persons."

U. S. Attorney McGohey, replying, waved a copy of yesterday's Daily Worker before the court, and pointed to a boxed story quoting the Civil Rights Congress calling for a noon-time picket line before the courthouse.

2,000 MARCH

While McGohey was speaking, more than 2,000 men and women were marching across the street from the court house in an orderly manner protesting the indictment and trial. They marched from noon until shortly before 1 p. m., breaking into a brief labor song on one occasion.

There were several defense motions before the court.

Judge Medina said: "I deny the motions."

Attorney Sacher asked the court which motions were denied.

The court replied: "All of them."

Later Judge Medina reserved decision on a defense motion to clear the court of "all persons bearing arms."

Judge Medina then denied a motion that he disqualify himself on grounds he had expressed prejudice against the defendants.

MOTION ON FOSTER

McGohey moved to proceed with the trial and sever the case of William Z. Foster, bringing only 11 of the defendants to trial at this time before a jury.

These motions are scheduled to be argued this morning, when the trial continues in room 110 of the Foley Square court house.

In a final long argument, At-

ney Isserman pleaded with the court not to go on with the trial as long as the press is publishing government reports prejudicing the defendants. He quoted federal judge Albert Watson, of Scranton, Pa., as publicly urging "physical force" against Communists.

"The government can discontinue this campaign and then have a trial," he said.

Defense counsel reminded the court that the Communist leaders were not charged with committing an overt act, but merely with "exercising their constitutional rights to advocate, teach, publish and organize a political party."

"Our country is big and strong," Attorney Gladstein told the court. "We don't have to come here and fear these 11 men because of their political ideas. We are rushing into something we all will regret. A decent time interval must elapse to permit this prejudice to lessen."

"There is nothing new in any of the defense arguments," McGohey declared.

Judge Medina overruled the last defense motion, and ordered the arguments on the two prosecution motions to begin this morning.

The courtroom was packed with 70 members of the press and radio broadcasting companies and 70 spectators. Twenty of the spectator seats were reserved for friends and members of the defendants' families.

The 11 defendants sat in a row in front of the spectators' section. They are Eugene Dennis, Henry Winston, John Williamson, Jack Stachel, Robert Thompson, Gus Hall, Gilbert Green, Carl Winter, Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, John Gates and Irving Potash.

See Israel-Egypt Pact on Troops

RHODES, Jan. 17 (UP).—Reliable informants said tonight that Israel and Egypt had reached an agreement under which 2,000 Egyptian troops, trapped at El Faluja in southern Palestine for nearly three months, would return to their lines with full military honors.

Tel Aviv dispatches reported that pending the expected evacuation of the Egyptians, Israel would permit a United Nations food convoy to go through to them.

Israeli and Egyptian delegates, discussing terms for an armistice in southern Palestine under the supervision of Palestine mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche, spent the day in separate conferences, discussing the Faluja situation.

Indication that they had reached substantial agreement, after reaching agreement in principle Sunday, Bunche called the two delegations into a joint session late today.

Informants predicted that as part of a broader armistice agreement, the Egyptians trapped at El Faluja would be permitted to march through the Israeli army's lines to their own with full military honors, taking such equipment as they could carry.

Condolences

To Ray and David:
Our sincere condolences on the passing of your beloved husband and father HENRY FRIEDLAND. His deep understanding, loyalty and devotion to you and the working people are an inspiring example for us to carry on. Comrade Yochim and Family.

Visitors Total 43,000 At Czech Fair Here

More than 43,000 visitors have viewed exhibits at the Czechoslovak Industries Fair in Rockefeller Center Museum of Science and Industry since the opening last Wednesday, exposition officials announced yesterday. Week-end attendance at the million-dollar display of merchandise available to this country from Czechoslovakia in 1949 came to 28,000, the officials stated.

Attendance included large groups of business executives seeking arrangements to import Czechoslovak specialties in textiles, glassware, ceramics, toys and leather goods according to Josef Fabian, administrative chief of the Fair for the sponsoring Central Association of Czechoslovak Industries.

Visitors showed special interest in the exhibits of Bohemian cut-glass, ceramics with the familiar Thun, Epiag, Bohemia and H. & C. labels, glass chandeliers and overlays, and Gobelin, tapestries. School children turned out in

large numbers to view the rear-engine Tatra sedan, motorcycles, bicycles and toys. Recorded Czechoslovak music plays throughout the day at the exhibit.

The hourly showings of travel and cultural motion pictures on Czechoslovak life have filled the museum's film theatre regularly.

The Fair, which continues through Jan. 30, will be seen in New Orleans and in other American cities to be announced.

As We See It, a column of comment by Rob F. Hall, Milton Howard and Abner Berry, appears each day in the Daily Worker and in the weekend Worker.

The Police Bivouac on Foley Square

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ment's persecution of men for their political ideas.

There was, of course, no disturbance. Nor had there been in the previous picket lines that marched before Federal Court. Then why the "two and a half companies of military police"?

Defense Attorney Harry Sacher told Medina that the Sixth Amendment to the Constitution guarantees a "public" trial, not a "police" trial.

"This kind of surrounding transforms a public trial into a police trial," he insisted. He said it created "the Hitler lie" that there is danger from these defendants and he recalled statements by both McGohey and Medina that there had been nothing untoward in the behavior of the 12 defendants. Sacher asked the judge "to order forthwith" that the police be dispersed and the case conducted in accordance with the Constitution. He asked adjournment for 90 days until a more civil atmosphere obtained.

Defense lawyer Richard Glad-

stein spoke of the effect on the already prejudiced minds of the 500 prospective jurors who had to pass through the cordons of police. "They witness a spectacle of martial law," he said, "and I may assume, I trust, that there is no martial law."

DENIES DEFENSE MOTION

"I saw nothing of an armed camp," Judge Medina replied. "I do recall substantial picket lines and demonstrations on previous occasions. Motion denied."

Sacher then invited the judge to walk around the building with him and he would show the judge a room near the courtroom where a number of the police were congregated.

All the defense attorneys rose to second Sacher's motion and urged the judge to reconsider.

Gladstein then said: "Trigger-happy men are included among the men who wear the uniform of the police. Since when has the Constitution of the United States been replaced by the Police Department of New York. Is it not

the right of the people to go there peacefully?"

Medina replied: "It didn't seem so peaceful to me. I've seen the picket lines here." He said they had bordered on disorder.

Gladstein: "Did you see any picketers arrested?"

Judge Medina replied that he didn't know if any were arrested but thought "it might be difficult to get into the courthouse."

Defense attorneys then contended that the police show was "deliberate, and purposeful to intimidate prospective jurors."

Only some 50 spectators were enabled to enter the courtroom. Half of it is taken by press and radio. A dozen seats were allotted to relatives of the defendants. Many chairs were obviously taken by police in plain-clothes including one exposed as a stoolpigeon by defense counsel who sat within earshot of their table. They insisted that he leave, and make room for a spectator. This stoolpigeon had been associated in some manner with Robert Burke, the private de-

tective who had broken into the home of Robert Thompson and threatened his little daughter.

But among those who waited for hours to get into the courtroom were young and old workingmen, Negro and white. Seated near the families of the defendants was the Rev. Eliot White, retired Episcopal minister who is now a member of the Communist Party.

Eleven of the defendants who were present looked spruce and young, confident, as Eugene Dennis had said, of the verdict history would render.

They greeted Leon Josephson, the New Jersey lawyer who had just returned from serving almost a year in the Federal Penitentiary in Michigan. Josephson had lost some 25 pounds, was pale, emaciated, but his spirit was untouched.

He had arrived home last night, seen his family, got re-acquainted with his child, and came down to the Federal Court; a young man prematurely aged by prison.

Scarcely 24 hours out of jail he took his place on the firing-line.

Ted Tinsley Says

A New Declaration of Independence

SOMETIMES I suspect that I am a weak character with no resistance against fads and an awful yen to have myself considered a very deep and thoughtful character. This has led me into much trouble and more waste of time.

I remember, as an instance, the Detective Story stage through which I dutifully dragged whatever brain I possess. I will describe this awful period to you. I would go to a gathering of great minds. In one corner would sit a college instructor, in another a writer of some repute. Other guests would include a girl who had just gotten her Master's degree in Biochemistry and was now looking for a job, while a fourth guest would be an outstanding expert in the field of neuro-psycho-socio-somatics.

ON SUCH OCCASIONS I would curl modestly under the kitchen table and make myself inconspicuous so that I could absorb whatever profound thoughts came my way.

Then I discovered that these people usually talked about detective novels, and came loaded down with armfuls of 25-centers which they swapped like small boys swapping matchbook covers. I soon got the idea. At that time, any genuine 14-carat intellectual read detective stories. It was the great and acceptable form of relaxation for the untalented mind.

Well, if the unusual mind read detective novels, I would read them and prove how profound I was. I relaxed and relaxed and relaxed. I would come home, determined to read Political Affairs, or Lenin's *Empire-Criticism*, and then decide I was tired. The great mind needed relaxation. So I would read *The Fourteen Corpses at Horror Manor* instead.

This took a year out of my life before I realized that I was getting dumber and dumber, and that most of the people who read detective stories to relax, always relaxed. I was mighty sick of relaxing, and mighty bored. Finally I confessed to myself and others what I should have known all along! I never really gave a damn who killed whom in these stories, and for my money all detective fiction characters, including the detective, can drop dead. Right now.

THE NEXT PERIOD through which I suffered was of shorter duration. This was the Comic Strip period.

I would meet with people whom I expected to broaden my vision of life and the world, and, amid suppressed chortles, would hear them ask each other if they had read in yesterday's comic strip what had happened to Bullet-Noggin and Crackle-Bubble. At that time, I didn't even know that Bullet-Noggin and Crackle-Bubble were two immortal characters, like Hamlet and Javert. Well, what had happened to them? They had slipped on the third step of Breakbone-Bobby's secret hideaway! Would they get to their feet in tomorrow's strip?

Well, I read a few comic strips. Here is one that is a fair sample:

FIRST PANEL: No dialog.

SECOND PANEL: Boy: "C'mon, Measles."

THIRD PANEL: Boy: "What y' think I brought that stool for? SIT!"

FOURTH PANEL: Boy: "An' taye y' paws off'n tha' table or mom'll throw y' out!"

That's all. But I'm through. I cannot read something that takes me only four seconds, and then wait 24 hours for the next breathless episode, nor will I submit myself to another Detective Story period. To one and all I make my declaration: I don't like comic strips. I don't like the bad ones, I don't like the good ones, I don't like the indifferent ones. I don't even think they're going to lead our people to new victories over Capital.

This will brand me as a dope in many quarters, but I will have to face it.

Books:

'Popcorn on Ginza', Banal Frothy Portrait of Japan

By Robert Friedman

LUCY HERNDON CROCKETT spent 18 months in Japan and Korea for the Red Cross occupation. *Popcorn on the Ginza* is her "informal" portrait of postwar Japan.

Miss Crockett writes like this: "Although their sloppy methods and chronically devious ways of thinking were exasperating in the

nevertheless consider him the ideal man for his present job."

Bet you didn't know that. Or that the U. S. occupation is now busily bringing "democracy" to Japan. Miss Crockett knows, though, and she says it quite frequently, although there is more than a strong suspicion that she thinks democracy means being able to vote either Republican or Democrat.

Informal, *Popcorn on the Ginza* is—with a vengeance. The author has a banal, frothy outlook on the world which is accentuated by her rather grimly popular style.

Informality is no crime. But the

EVERYTHING ON WHEELS, story by Jeffrey Victor; pictures by John English. Capitol, N. Y., \$1.

EVERYTHING ON WHEELS has a cover shaped like a bus, with a picture to match—and wheels that really turn around. Inside are more pictures of nearly everything on wheels—different types of trucks, trailers, tractors, trolleys, trains, travelling stores, tanks, etc. With each goes a brief explanatory paragraph. Youngsters will go for this one.

extreme, on the whole Capt. Stuart was extraordinarily sympathetic toward the Japanese, who, he said, merely required the patience and perseverance of a mother training a child.

Like this:

"Half a dozen peasant-faced cleaning women would swarm in like a plague of locusts. . . .

"My maid hovers about me so constantly underfoot that I expect soon to be reduced to a state of gibbering idiocy," said one American woman in Yokohama.

And like this:

"Gen. MacArthur's strongest critics—and there are many—

Today's Film:

'Mr. Perrin and Mr. Traill' Intelligent, Mature Film

By Jose Yglesias

THE MODERN counterpart of Dickens' *Dotheboy* Hall can be seen in *Mr. Perrin and Mr. Traill*, the new English movie at the Little Carnegie. The school in Dickens' *Nicholas Nickleby* was brutal and violent; the

MR. PERRIN AND MR. TRAILL. Eagle Lion Release. A Two Cities Film. Produced by Alexander Galperon. Directed by Lawrence Huntington. Screen play by L. A. G. Strong from the novel by Hugh Walpole. With David Farrar, Marius Goring, Creta Cynt, Raymond Huntley. At the Little Carnegie.

Banfield of the movie is equally malignant and destructive of personality while preserving always a respectable, middle class air. Quietly and humorously Mr. Perrin and Mr. Traill paints a devastating picture of an English private school.

The men of the title are two

schoolmasters, Mr. Traill, a young veteran and Mr. Perrin, whom 20 years at the school has made a disciplinarian. The story is of one year in the life of the school. Aside from the rivalry of the two men over the school nurse nothing much happens in the movie. Yet it is always absorbing and full of human incident.

The movie concerns itself with the relationships among the members of the staff at the school. Removed from the world and ruled by reactionary principles enforced by a tyrannical headmaster, the teachers of the school are corroded with bitterness and callousness. Their life is one of small talk, adherence to tradition, boredom, backbiting and small cruelties.

IN THIS INSULATED, cheerless world—prints of the Parthenon on the walls, small reproductions of Greek statuary everywhere—the new schoolmaster acts as an irritant that points it all up. The

movie does not tell you what is at the root of such educational sores nor does the young teacher learn anything more than that he wants to leave, that perhaps what the place needs is a "breath of fresh air" and that he shall expose the headmaster. But what the movie does see is honestly told and it exposes the dreariness and cruelties of such places with a fine satiric eye. There is a hilarious scene on "honors day" when a visiting lord makes a pompous, self revealing speech and the emphasis given his words by the boys' applause becomes the students' critique of the dreary life they're caught in.

The movie is leisurely directed without being tiring. And it is studded with many small, excellent characterizations. Marius Goring, as the middle-aged Mr. Perrin, creates a sympathetic portrait of a man who has been corrupted into meanness by the life of the school. Mr. Perrin and Mr. Traill is an intelligent, adult movie.

Hollywood:

MGM and Mrs. Stowe's 'Uncle Tom's Cabin'

By David Platt

THERE'S a report that Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer plans to film Harriet Beecher Stowe's great anti-slavery novel *Uncle Tom's Cabin* this year. If the report is true the news is not good.

MGM produced and distributed *Cone With the Wind*, Tennessee Johnson, *Cabin in the Sky* and countless other racist films. Lena Horne who has been under contract to this studio for years is unable to get anything but bit parts in musicals because her skin is dark.

I do not think the studio that has played a major role in the perpetuation of the "Uncle Tom" stereotype on the screen is to be trusted with something as important as Mrs. Stowe's burning tract for Negro freedom and equality. In their hands it is not impossible that *Uncle Tom's Cabin* could become a film entirely acceptable to racist elements.

SOME DAY, someone will make a great movie of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*. Such a film—and I cannot see MGM doing it—will show Negro and white fighting side by side to end a social system which "whirls families and scatters their members as wind whips and scatters leaves of autumn." Such a film will be inspired by these eloquent lines written by Mrs. Stowe nearly 100 years ago: "This is an age of the world when nations are trembling and convulsed. A mighty influence is abroad, surging and heaving the world, as with an earthquake. And is America safe? Every nation that carries in its bosom great and unredressed injustices has in it the elements of this last convulsion. For what is this mighty influence thus rousing in all nations and languages but those groanings that cannot be uttered for man's freedom and equality."

IMPORTANT NEW FILM SERIES: The Film Library of the Museum of Modern Art in New York announces a special series of Sunday night film showings starting Jan. 30 and ending May 22. (Admission by advance subscription only). The films to be shown are new Film Library acquisitions. Following are some of the programs:

JAN. 30: John Barrymore's

silent film *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde* (1920); two tests in Technicolor of Barrymore in scenes from *Hamlet* (1937); *Une Partie De Campagne* (1946), "a film by Jean Renoir, son of the famous painter, recreating a de Maupassant episode after the style of his father's work." The film will soon have its first release in the U. S. through Mayer-Burnstyn.

FEB. 13:—*Hair-raising Hare* (1945). A Bugs Bunny cartoon described by the Film Library as "fast and violent, highly imaginative and a radical departure from the sweet, sentimental cartoon characters." A preview of *They Live By Night* (1948) produced by John Houseman with Cathy O'Donnell, Farley Granger, Howard da Silva. "A tragic social-message film."

FEB. 27: The Soviet silent film *Bed And Sofa* (1926). A topical comedy about the Moscow housing shortage, directed by Room; *La Coquille et Le Clergyman* (1928) an avant-garde film directed by Germaine Dulac; *Un Chien Andalou* (1929) a surrealist film by Salvador Dali and Luis Bunuel.

THE REMAINING programs will consist of *Cops*, (1922) a two-reel Buster Keaton comedy, and *Our Hospitality* (1923) an early Keaton feature; *Tabu* (1931) directed by F. W. Murnau and Robert Flaherty; *A Dog's Life* (1918) and *The Idle Class* (1921) two Chaplin classics recently acquired by the Film Library and seldom seen here since their original release; *Quo Vadis* (1912), Italian movie based on the famous Sienkiewicz novel of Rome in the time of Nero, not seen here in twenty years. The library after a 13-year search now owns an original print on tinted stock and in good condition.

OTHER FILM NEWS AND VIEWS: The Radio City Music Hall audience will see one-minute sequences from the films which won the N. Y. film critics award when the prizes are handed out on the Music Hall stage next Friday night, Jan. 21. . . . Katherine Hepburn co-directing and co-producing a film with Clarence Brown. . . . Leo McCarey may do another religious film—*Miracle Of Light*, the story of 'Our Lady of Fatima' . . .



VERA VASSILIEVA makes her screen debut in a featured role in Artino's "Symphony Of Life," new Soviet color film with music now in its third successful week at the Stanley Theatre.



By BARNARD RUBIN

ONE OF THE VERY FEW times when the Truman-controlled Greek government was forced — to avoid a situation even too scandalous for ITS thick skin — to sentence to death a Greek army officer who had collaborated with the Nazis was the case last year of Colonel Poulos. Poulos was known all over the country for having slaughtered and looted innumerable Greeks and so outrageous was his record that the collaborationists themselves were unwillingly forced to sentence him to execution.

But today Colonel Poulos is still very much alive.

As a matter of fact, when last heard from, he was drawing a government pension. . . .



TOWN TALK

Henry Morgenthau spotted in Lindy's dining with David Dubinsky. . . .

Herb Shriner's 15-minute, Monday-through-Friday show, Herb Shriner Time, becomes a coast-to-coast program beginning this week. . . .

ABROAD: High Button Shoes doing well in London although slammed by the critics there. On the other hand, I Remember Mama flopped in Copenhagen. . . .

Annie Get Your Gun passed its 600th consecutive performance in Australia without one empty seat. . . .

A Paris production of Anna Lucasta with a local all-Negro cast in the cards. . . .

Here goes another: The Empire Theatre (legit—at 40th and Broadway) has been purchased by the William Waldorf Astor estate and will eventually (in about 2 1/2 years) be torn down so that an office building can be erected in its place. . . .

Several major music publishers are planning to put a stop to an increasing tendency by small be-bop and jazz combinations toward appropriating the basic melodies of standards for recording under original titles.

It's claimed that many of the so-called "original" tunes being cut for independent labels under all sorts of titles are too-close variations of valuable copyrights.

The Screen Writers' Guild has voted to take in the Associated Film Writers of New York. SWG board recommended the two groups join, before the membership vote was taken. A unanimous vote followed. The groups will officially weld Feb. 11.

AFW will be known as the Eastern Division of the Screen Writers Guild. However, the eastern group will keep its autonomy and will not pay any dues or fees to SWG here.

Eastern groups will have jurisdiction over writers in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. SWG will have jurisdiction in California. If a screen writer goes from California to the east, or vice versa, he will be under the jurisdiction of the group where he works. The first 10 weeks of such a stint would be free, but if a writer remains for six months he must switch membership from one group to the other. He will be disciplined by the group under whose jurisdiction he is working. . . .

The Catholic Church hierarchy has been putting the heat on radio station WMCA for its Cause for Divorce program. The station had the audacity to permit a speaker to say that more liberal divorce legislation might be a good thing and the powerhouse boys have been raving ever since. . . .

One Survey—if you still believe in them—claims that 39.3 percent of New York homes (with radios) start dialing at midnight. . . .

Two great French poets have just issued new volumes of verse in Paris.

Aragon's is titled New Heartbreak and Paul Eluard's is titled—significantly enough—Political Poems. . . .

A MATTER OF TIMING

One of the Washington, D. C., wiseboys was ambling down one of the capital's streets the other day, when he was approached by a stranger for information as to the location of the Chinese (Kuomintang) Embassy.

The Washingtonian pointed down the street.

"It's right down there," he said, "but—if I were you—I'd hurry."

On Stage

'Along 5th Avenue', Pleasant Undistinguished Revue

By Lee Newton

ALONG FIFTH AVENUE is a pleasant enough — if not particularly distinguished — musical revue with amiable personalities like Nancy Walker, Jackie Gleason, Hank Ladd, Carol Bruce, Donald Richards, Viola Essen and a charming little Negro girl named

ALONG FIFTH AVENUE, a musical revue with music by Gordon Jenkins; lyrics by Tom Adair; sketches by Charles Sherman and Nat Hiken; settings by Oliver Smith; costumes by David Ffolkes; dances and musical numbers, staged by Robert Sidney and presented by Arthur Lesser at the Broadhurst

Judith Burroughs around to help you forget—if not completely—its lack of originality.

Miss Walker is still a funny lady, and her little squat body with the Dead-End kid face perched pug-naciously on top of it as she demolishes "glamour," "romance" and the "exotic," is rapidly assuming a niche similar to that reserved for Groucho Marx's crouching walk and Bobby Clark's demoniacal glare in the entertainment world's hall of fame. She's not as good as these gentlemen yet, but she's giving every indication of being on the way—even though the material afforded her in Along Fifth Avenue doesn't help her



NANCY WALKER

along much. One exception: the Chant D'Amour number in which Miss Walker does a take-off on the He's Just My Bill type song which, with the aid of Nat Hiken's witty lyrics, brings down the house.

OTHER HIGH SPOTS: Miss Viola Essen's smooth stepping as a ballerina faced with the challenge of tap; and the cute little number A Trip Doesn't Care at All, sung by Donald Richards and

that lovely eight-year-old Negro girl mentioned above, Judith Burroughs. The rest is conventional revue stuff.

Hank Ladd is all over the place with his casual patter ribbing the producer as he did in Angel in the Wings; a much slimmer Jackie Gleason gives a faint tint of Minsky to the over-all picture, and Carol Bruce sings some of the songs with much more agreeable verve than they deserve.

Around the Dial:

Hear You Fatima's Sweet And Tender Voice?

By Bob Lauter

THE cymbals clashed. The orchestra played a few strains of Hollywood-eastern music. Then Basil Rathbone's insinuating voice murmured: "I ask a question" . . . "I hear music when no music plays." Discounting the opening commercial for Fatima cigarettes, thus began one episode in the new series, Tales of Fatima, featuring Basil Rathbone (9:30 p.m., Saturdays, WCBS).

Who answers Mr. Rathbone's questions? Who plays the music he hears when no music plays? Why, Fatima, of course, the "fabulous princess Fatima," dead a thousand years, but standing be-

side Basil in his roughest moments, smelling sweetly of oil (not machine oil), and whispering in his ear.

Who is Fatima? "She is all the women you have ever known. She is all the answers to all the mysteries. She is Fatima." Gosh all fishhooks!

YOU'LL HAVE TO ADMIT that this is neither the best nor most original start in the world for a series of mystery-adventure programs, based, we are told, on the actual experiences of Mr. Rathbone, who plays himself in these dramas. Tales of Fatima, if I may judge by the one episode I heard, is suffused with the odor of a not-so-rare perfume: essence of turkey.

Mystery at the Mirador was the name of Mr. Rathbone's last escapade. Trouble in a Florida hotel, a fancy hotel in which no one registered. Scared away by someone. Guns going off the next room. Fountains exploding. Basil tries to solve the mystery. In so doing, he has some classic lines to speak. When the crystal fountain blows into a million pieces, Basil approaches the wreckage thereof, and says, "I examined the fountain for foul play."

ENTER ALL THE WOMEN you have ever known, all the an-

swers to all the mysteries: Fatima. Basil hears her voice. She says, "Look to the sea, my lord, look to the waters."

Basil becomes a trembling boy soprano for the moment, and answers, "The sea is fair tonight."

SHORTLY AFTER the sea was fair, the midway commercial arrived. Fatima changed character. She became a long cigarette, and Basil, with the cultured English voice, became a long cigarette hawker. I always thought he was such a gentleman. It is shocking to discover that he is in trade!

WHENEVER FATIMA shows up, everybody starts to speak reverse English. In one of his colloquies with this oiled-up lady, Mr. Rathbone says, "Fatima, this castle, lives there no one here?"

WCBS, this program, comes it on your network?

POOR FATIMA. In the program she is the "fabulous princess," and in the publicity she is a "legendary" character. This is not doing Fatima justice. Fatima, as I recall, was not the least bit legendary, but very much alive and real. She was the only daughter of the prophet Mohammed.

Two more episodes of this thing, and the State Department's going to lose its oil concessions.



CHOREOGRAPHER Valentina Litvinoff is extremely busy these days. She is directing the dances for the Lenin Memorial Meetings at the St. Nicholas Arena (Wednesday, Jan. 19) and Brooklyn Academy of Music (Thursday, Jan. 20), at the same time she is finishing a major production with another group of dancers, to be featured in a presentation later this month.

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WMCA—570 Kc.
WJZ—710 Kc.
WJZ—770 Kc.
WNYC—830 Kc.

WINS—1000 Kc.
WJZ—1130 Kc.
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WNYC—1000 Kc.
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MORNING

8A:00-WNBC—This is Nora Drake
WOR—Francis Robinson
WJZ—Second Honey Moon
WNYC—NU Security Council
WCBS—Arthur Godfrey Show
WQXR—News; Alma Dettinger
8A:15-WNBC—We Love and Learn
WOR—Victor H. Lincoln
8A:30-WNBC—Jack Berch
WOR—Gabriel Heatter Mailbag
WJZ—Ted Malone
WCBS—Orand Siam
WQXR—UN Newsreel
8A:45-WNBC—Lora Lawton
WJZ—Galen Drake
WCBS—Rosemary
WQXR—Violin Personalities

AFTERNOON

2P:00-WNBC—Charles F. McCarthy
WOR—Kate Smith Speaks
WJZ—Welcome Travelers
WCBS—Wendy Warren—Sketch
WNYC—Benjamin Franklin Program
WQXR—News; Luncheon Concert
2P:15-WNBC—Metropolitan News
WOR—Kate Smith
WCBS—Aunt Jenny
2P:30-WNBC—Brokenheart
WOR—Answer Man
WJZ—Maggi McNellis
WCBS—Helen Trent
2P:55-WNBC—Farmer's Bulletin
1:00-WNBC—Mary Margaret McBride
WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's
WJZ—Party Time
WCBS—Big Sister
WNYC—String Music
WQXR—News; Midday Symphony
2:15-WJZ—Nancy Craig
WCBS—Ma Perkins
2:30-WOR—Hollywood Theatre
WCBS—Young Dr. Malone
2:45-WCBS—Guiding Light
WJZ—Dorothy Dix
3:00-WNBC—Double or Nothing
WOR—Queen for a Day
WJZ—Breakfast in Hollywood
WCBS—Second Mrs. Burton
WNYC—Know Your City
WQXR—News; Record Review
3:15-WCBS—Perry Mason
3:30-WNBC—Today's Children
WOR—Passing Parade
WJZ—Bride and Groom
WCBS—Nora Drake
WQXR—Curtain at 3:30
3:45-WNBC—Light of the World
WCBS—What Makes You Tick
WQXR—Musical Specialties
3:00-WNBC—Life Can Be Beautiful
WOR—Movie Matinee
WJZ—Ladies Be Seated
WCBS—David Harum
3:15-WNBC—Ma Perkins
WCBS—Hilltop House
3:30-WNBC—Fepper Young
WOR—Best Girl
WCBS—Don Ameche
WNYC—Music of Theatre
WQXR—Stringtime
3:45-WNBC—Right to Happiness

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

6:30 PM—Herb Shriner, WCBS.
8:00 PM—Music for the Connoisseur, WNYC.
8:30 PM—America's Town Meeting: Can Modern Capitalism Meet the Needs of Modern Man? WJZ.
9:00 PM—Bob Hope show, WNBC.
9:30 PM—Morey Amsterdam show, WCBS.
9:45 PM—Detroit Symphony Orchestra, WJZ.
10:00 PM—American Forum: Should the Un-American Activities Committee Be Abolished? WOR.
11:30 PM—Boston Symphony Orchestra rehearsal, WNBC.
11:30 PM—Deems Taylor Show, WOR.

Television

8:00 PM—Star Theatre; Milton Berle, WNBT.
8:30 PM—America's Town Meeting, WJZ-TV.
9:00 PM—We, the People, WCBS-TV.
9:30 PM—Basketball (Manhattan-Holy Cross), WCBS-TV.

4:00-WNBC—Backstage Wife
WCBS—Hint Hunt
WJZ—Kay Kyser
WNYC—Disc Date
WOR—Barbara Wells.
4:15-WNBC—Stella Dallas
4:30-WNBC—Lorenzo Jones—Sketch
WOR—The Ladies' Man
WJZ—People—Patt Barnes
WCBS—Robert Q. Lewis
4:45-WNBC—Young Wilder Brown
5:00-WNBC—When a Girl Marries
WCBS—Galen Drake
WOR—March of Dimes
WJZ—Green Hornet
5:15-WNBC—Portia Faces Life
WOR—Superman
WQXR—Modern Rhythms
5:30-WNBC—Just Plain Bill
WJZ—Jack Armstrong
WCBS—Hits and Misses
WOR—Captain Midnight
WQXR—Cocktail Time
5:45-WNBC—Front Page Farrell
WOR—Tom Mix

EVENING

6:00-WNBC—Kenneth Banghart
WOR—Lyle Van
WJZ—Joe Hassel
WCBS—Eric Sevareid
WQXR—News; Music to Remember
WNYC—Music on the Wing
6:15-WNBC—Bill Stern
WOR—On the Century
WJZ—Ethel & Albert
WCBS—Talks
6:30-WNBC—Ray Rodel, Songs
WOR—News
WJZ—Edwin C. Hill
WCBS—Herb Shriner
WNYC—Stories to Remember
WQXR—Dinner Concert
6:45-WNBC—Three Star Extra
WOR—Stan Lomax
WJZ—Allen Prescott
WNYC—Weather; City News
WCBS—Lowell Thomas
7:00-WNBC—Supper Club
WOR—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
WJZ—Headline Edition
WCBS—Beulah
WNYC—Masterwork Hour
WQXR—News; Keyboard Artists
7:15-WNBC—News of the World
WOR—Answer Man
WJZ—Elmer Davis
WCBS—Jack Smith Show
7:30-WNBC—Hollywood Theatre
WOR—A. L. Alexander, Poems
WCBS—Club 15
WJZ—Counter-Spy
WQXR—Music Quiz
7:45-WOR—Inside of Sports
WCBS—Edward Marrow
8:00-WNBC—This Is Your Life
WOR—George O'Hanlon
WJZ—Youth Asks the Government
WCBS—Mystery Theatre
WQXR—News; Symphony Hall
8:15-WJZ—Earl Godwin
8:30-WNBC—Alan Young Show
WOR—Share the Wealth—Quiz
WJZ—America's Town Meeting
WCBS—Mr. and Mrs. North, Play
9:00-WNBC—Bob Hope
WOR—Gabriel Heatter
WCBS—We the People
WQXR—News; Concert Hall
WNYC—Record Hobbyists
9:15-WOR—Radio Newsreel
9:30-WNBC—Fibber McGee and Molly
WOR—Bill Williams
WJZ—Erwin Canham
WCBS—Morey Amsterdam Show
WQXR—Record Rarities
9:45-WJZ—Detroit Symphony Orchestra
10:00-WNBC—Big Town—Play
WOR—American Forum
WCBS—Hit the Jackpot—Quiz
WNYC—Municipal Concert Hall
WQXR—News; The Showcase
10:30-WCBS—Dance Music
WOR—People Are Funny
WJZ—It's In the Family
WQXR—Just Music

Puzzle fans—follow the crossword puzzle daily in the Daily Worker.

Define Powers Of Ruhr Board

BERLIN, Jan. 17.—A new move to quiet protests against militarization of the Ruhr was taken today by the three Western powers. They announced formation of a three-power "military security board" on German disarmament.

The communique was issued by the United States, Britain and France.

Local military governments are to be given "reasonable advance notice of" visits by the newly-created board's military, industrial and scientific research divisions.

In a directive on the Ruhr, the communique said that "the board will establish such machinery and liaison for cooperation with international authority for the Ruhr as may be found necessary."

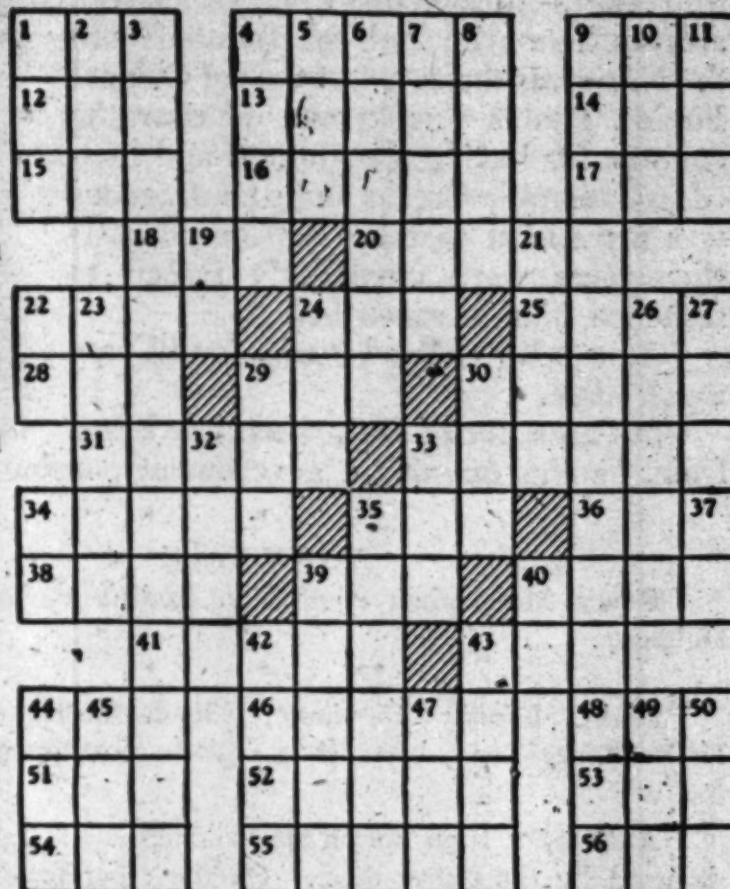
CROSSWORD PUZZLE

HORIZONTAL

1-Wreath
4-The devil
9-Opportunity
12-To possess
13-To compose
14-The self
15-To marry
16-Thesplan
17-To signify
18-Mischiefous child
20-Positive pole
22-Restaurant
24-Pronoun
25-Short jacket
28-Sprite
29-Dance step
30-Earth (Latin)
31-Maxim
32-Relating to mood
34-Egret
35-Chess piece
36-Youth
38-War god
39-Fairy
40-Wine measure
41-More recent
43-The sun
44-To choose
46-Bay window
48-Yellow bugle
51-Friend
52-Scope
53-Silver-white metallic element
54-Curve of a ship's plank
55-Lament
56-Still

VERTICAL

1-To moo
2-Female sheep
3-Without showing favor
4-Colloquial: to exchange
5-Part of a circle
6-Giants
7-To make amends
8-Roman emperor
9-Permeability
10-Gone by
11-Bushy clump
19-Pronoun
21-Notable feat
22-Symbol for cerium
23-To change
24-Cereal grass
26-Lowest deck of a ship



Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle

OPUS TSAR PAW
VOTE OTTO ADE
AN COTE WAN
TO READ MICE
HIRE SLAG GOL
OFTEN SURF NA
AISLES BEREFT
XC SAUL BELIE
EAR RIOT TADS
SLOOT TIRE NE
YON TELL NO
IRA OVEN ARCH
OIL BIRD DEEM

Daily Worker Screen Guide

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If your local movie house is not listed here, please ask the Manager to mail us his advance listings.

MANHATTAN

First Run—Broadway

AMBASSADOR—Venus of Paris; Indiscretion
ASTOR—Enchantment
AVENUE PLAYHOUSE—Monsieur Vincent
GLOU—The Red Shoes
GLYSE—Eternal Husband
FULTON—Jean of Arc
GLOBE—Bella Stars Daughter
GOTHAM—Unavailable
LITTLE CARNegie—Mr. Perrin and Mr. Trail
LITTLE CINEMET—The Eagle With Two Heads
MAYFAIR—Waka of the Red With
MUSEUM OF MODERN ART—Social and Theatrical Dancing
NEW EUROPE—Noble A Day
NEW YORK—Thunder in the Plaza; Gunning for Justice
PARAMOUNT—The Accused
PARIS—Symphonie PASTORALE
PARK AVENUE—Hamlet
RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL—Words and Music
PIX—Unavailable
RIALTO—Unknown Island
RIVOLI—The Snake Pit
ROXY—Chicken Every Sunday
STANLEY—Symphony of Life
STRAND—Adventures of Don Juan
VICTORIA—Jean of Arc
WORLD—Pallor
4TH AVENUE PLAYHOUSE—Tropic Hunt
5TH ST. PLAYHOUSE—Monsieur Vincent

East Side

ART—Louisiana Story
ACADEMY OF MUSIC—All Babs and the Forty Thieves
ARCADIA—Farragut; The Baker's Wife
BEVERLY—Vespene; Blow Time
CHARLES—Last Days of Pompeii; She
CITY—No Greater Love; Krentzer Sagata
GRACIE SQUARE—New Green Was My Valley; Chumy Brown
GRAMERCY PARK CINEMA—Last Days of Pompeii
IRVING PLACE—Long Is the Road; Yiddle With His Fiddle
NORMANDIE—Rope
PLAZA—Red River
SUTTON—Mine Own Executioner
TRANS-LUX 72ND ST.—Night at the Opera
TRANS-LUX MONROE—Swordsmen; Prince of Thieves
TRANS-LUX COLONY—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
TRANS-LUX 60TH—Take My Life
TRIBUNE—Guns Ho; Eagle Squadron
TUDOR—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
YORK—Matinee Scandal; Merry We Live
65TH ST. TRANS-LUX—Louisiana Story
66TH ST. GRANDE—She Couldn't Take It; Let Us Live
62D ST. TRANS-LUX—Apartment for Peggy
64TH ST. PLAYHOUSE—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
64TH ST.—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters

West Side

ALDEN—It Happened One Night; Zanzibar
APOLLO—Four Steps in the Clouds; Silence Is Golden
ARDEN—Linda Be Good; Black Hills
BELMONT—Matrimony Simplicity
BRYANT—You Were Meant for Me; Till the End of Time
CARLTON—Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
COLUMBIA—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
DELMAR—La Hermana Intima; Miguel Stragoff
EDISON—It Happened One Night; Patient Vanishes
ELEGIN—A Story, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic
GREENWICH—Last Days of Pompeii; She
LAFFMOVIE—Bey from Syracuse
MEMO—All Babs and Forty Thieves; Phantom of the Opera
WAVERLY—Romance on High Seas; Fighting Father Deane
6TH ST. PLAYHOUSE—Song Is Born
TERRACE—Cluny Brown; The Sheik

SAVOY—Red River; So This Is New York
SELWYN—When My Baby Smiles at Me; Jungle Patrol
LYRIC—June Bride; The Smugglers
NEW AMSTERDAM—Three Musketeers; Mickey
RIVERSIDE—All Babs and Forty Thieves; Phantom of the Opera
RIVIERA—Gentlemen from Newbury; Best Man Wins
SQUIRE—Jenny, Lammor; Luraxia Bergis
SCHUYLER—Sea of Grass; Two Sisters from Boston
STODDARD—Gentlemen from Newbury; Best Man Wins
SYMPHONY—Dukeless Street; Bad Sister
THALIA—Congress Dances; Marriage of Figaro
TERRACE—Red River; So This Is New York
TIMES SQUARE—Criminal Court; Last Trail
TIVOLI—Red River; So This Is New York
TOWN—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
YORKTOWN—Song Is Born; The Pearl
77TH ST.—Song Is Born; The Pearl

Washington Heights

ALPINE—Red River; So This Is New York
AUDUBON—I Remember Mama; Lover Come Back
DALE—Red River; So This Is New York
DORSET—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
EMPRESS—Slightly Honeymoon; Silver Queen
GEN—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
HEIGHTS—Mother Was Tights; Strange Triangle
LANE—Red River; So This Is New York
LUTHER—Red River; So This Is New York
TOWNTOWN—Red River; So This Is New York

BRONX

ALLERTON—Last Days of Pompeii; She
ASCOY—Luraxia Bergis; Carmen
BEACH—Kiss Me When I'm Dying; For the Love of Mary
BEDFORD—Song Is Born; The Pearl
CIRCLE—San Francisco; Smugglers Cove
COMBOURSE—Duke of West Point; King of the Turf
EARL—Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
FENWAY—Dead End; Barbary Coast
FREEMAN—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
DE LUXE—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
GLOBE—Song, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic
LIDO—Scarlet Claw; Secret Weapon
MOSHOLU—Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
NEW RITZ—The Locket; Corps Came C.O.D.
PARK PLAZA—All Babs and Forty Thieves; Phantom of the Opera
ROSEDALE—High Tide; April Showers
SQUARE—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
TUXEDO—All Babs and Forty Thieves; Phantom of the Opera
UNIVERSITY—Miracle of the Bell; Pearl Reef
VALENTINE—Song Is Born; The Pearl
ZENITH—Merry We Live; Matinee Scandal

BROOKLYN—Downtown

FOX—Adventures of Don Juan; Bloodier Howard
MAJESTIC—Sheik; Armored Car
MONART—Fighting 69th; Valley of the Giants
PARAMOUNT—Paleface; Behind Locked Doors
STRAND—Pardon My Barong; In the Navy
ST. GEORGE PLAYHOUSE—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
TERMINAL—Golden Eye; Inside Story

Park Slope

CARLETON—Song Is Born; The Pearl
SANDERS—Last Days of Pompeii; She
TIVOLI—Song Is Born; The Pearl

Bedford

BELL CINEMA—The Patient Vanishes; Argentine Nights
LINCOLN—Merry We Live; Matinee Scandal
NATIONAL—Hotters Castle; Rockies
SAVOY—When My Baby Smiles at Me; Jungle Patrol

Crown Heights

CARROLL—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
CROWN—Night in Paradise; Beauty to Brandy
CONGRESS—Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
ROGERS—Hide the Pink Horis; Pirate of Monterey
STADIUM—Wolf Man; Hairly Ape

Flatbush

ALBEMARLE—This Time for Keeps; The Swordsman
ASTOR—Men Are Not Gods; The Challenge
AVALON—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
AVENUE D—Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
AVENUE U—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
BEVERLY—My Sea My Son; Secret Weapon
CLARIDGE—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
COLLEGE—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
ELM—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
FARRAGUT—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
FLATBUSH—Arizona; Texas
GRANADA—Song, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic
JEWEL—High Seas; Sudan
KENT—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
KINGSWAY—When My Baby Smiles at Me; Jungle Patrol
LEADER—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
LINDEN—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
MARINE—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
MAYFAIR—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
MIDWOOD—When My Baby Smiles at Me; Jungle Patrol
NOSTRAND—Song, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic
PATIO—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
PARKSIDE—Marine; Portrait of Innocence
PATIO—Song, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic
QUENTIN—Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
RIALTO—Last Days of Pompeii; She
RUGBY—Tap Roots; Secret Land
TRAYMORE—Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera
TRIANGLE—Last Days of Pompeii; She
VOGUE—Marine; Portrait of Innocence

Brighton—Coney Island

OCEANA—My Sea My Son; International Lady
SHEEPHEAD—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
SURF—Song, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic
TUXEDO—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters

Boro Park—Bensonhurst

COLONY—Song, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic
MARBORO—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
RIDGEMOUNT—Bushwick
EMPIRE—Kiss Me When I'm Dying; For the Love of Mary
RIDGEMOUNT—Do You Love Me; Dark Corner
RIVOLI—Data With Judy; Old Los Angeles
WALKER—Linda Be Good; Blonde Savage

Bay Ridge

BERKSHIRE—Till the End of Time; Golden Eye
CENTER—Unleash Harry; Follies Girl
COLISEUM—San Francisco; Inside Story
ELECTRA—Anna and the King of Siam; Rodeo
NEW FORTWAY—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
HARBOR—San Francisco; Philadelphia Story
PARK—Till the End of Time; Golden Eye
RITZ—San Francisco; Inside Story
STANLEY—Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera

The Rockaways

GEN—Philadelphia Story; San Francisco
PARK—Red River; So This Is New York

Brownsville

BILTMORE—International Lady; Scarlet Claw
HOPKINSON—Shoe Shine; Beauty and the Beast
SPRING—Without Reservations; Johnny Angel
SUTTER—Pittfall; Intrigue

Williamsburg

ALBA—Till the End of Time; Johnny Angel
COMMODORE—Philadelphia Story; In the Morning
KISMET—Fighting 69th; Valley of the Giants

QUEENS—Astoria

ASTORIA—When My Baby Smiles at Me; Jungle Patrol
BROADWAY—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
GRAND—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
STEINWAY—My Sea My Son; Merry We Live
STRAND—Lady from Shanghai; Mating of Millie

Bayside

BAYSIDE—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
BELLARE—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
COLLEGE—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
CORDONA—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
VICTORY—Last Days of Pompeii; She

Flushing

MAYFAIR—Kiss Me When I'm Dying; For the Love of Mary
ROOSEVELT—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
TOWN—Tender Comrade; Man From Frisco
UTOPIA—Beyond Glory; Hazard

Forest Hills

FOREST HILLS—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
INWOOD—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
MIDWAY—When My Baby Smiles at Me; Jungle Patrol
TRYLON—Tap Roots; Secret Land

Jamaica

ARION—Pittfall; Intrigue
AUSTIN—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
CAMBRIA—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
CARLTON—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
CASINO—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
CLARION—Northwest Outpost; Driftwood
COMMUNITY—Red River; So This Is New York
CROSSBAY—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
DRAKE—Tap Roots; Secret Land
GARDEN—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
JAMAICA—Scarlet Claw; Secret Weapon
KEITHS—When My Baby Smiles at Me; Jungle Patrol
LAURELTON—Apartment for Peggy; Counterfeiters
LITTLE NECK—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
MAIN ST. PLAYHOUSE—Song, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic

It Romantic

DASH—Song Is Born; The Pearl
QUEENS—When My Baby Smiles at Me; Jungle Patrol
LEFFERTS—Song Is Born; The Pearl
LINDEN—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
LINDEN—Loves of Carmen; Leather Gloves
ROOSEVELT—Eyes of Texas; Follow the Fleet
RICHMOND HILL GARDEN—Song, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic
ST. ALBANS—Rope; Smart Girls Don't Talk
SAVOY—Luxury Liner; Night at the Opera

Woodside

BLISS—Song, Wrong Number; Isn't It Romantic
CENTER—It Happened One Night; One Night of Love
HOBART—Northwest Outpost; Driftwood
SUNNYSIDE—When My Baby Smiles at Me; Jungle Patrol
43D ST.—Know Where I'm Going; The Mikado

The listing of RKO and Loew's theatres has been dropped.

This action is taken in support of the struggle now being waged by the Screen Office and Professional Employees Guild and the Screen Publicists Guild against the major movie companies. With the exception of Eagle-Lion, the majors have refused to negotiate new contracts with the unions and have resorted to union-busting Taft-Hartley tactics. We urge our readers to protest both at the box office to local theatre managers, and to the film companies, demanding that they negotiate with the union.

In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo

Along Fistic Row...

RUSTY PAYNE'S name, and depending on what he shows against Curtis Sheppard at T of C's Manhattan Center unveiling tomorrow night, it could be a name you'll be hearing more of.

At least Rusty thinks so. He's a realistic fellow, says he wouldn't be in the fight game if he didn't think he could climb to the top. "Ezzard Charles turned down \$25,000 to fight me in Pittsburgh, guess I've got something he's afraid of."

This is a new twist. Charles was the most feared light-heavy in the ranks, couldn't get Gus Lesnevich in the same ring with him, and finally gave up to campaign for a heavy title try. Doubt that Ezzard's afraid to meet anyone—but this fellow Payne is rated a heck of a hitter.

He's touted to be an exceptionally fast customer on his pins, scaling 182. It does seem that the only good heavies are the light-heavies. Rusty's lone loss in '48 was to Johnny Flynn, and this fellow too—says Payne—doesn't care to meet him again.

Last time Payne and Sheppard met was in Pittsburgh. A sizzling scrap that Bucktown fans still whistle about. Payne lifted himself off the floor to flatten Sheppard in the ninth. Can do again, says he.

SOME BACKGROUND stuff: Payne hails from Dallas, Texas where he was an all-round athlete at Lincoln Hi. Starred in baseball, football and track... played a piece of pro baseball with Providence. He's been boxing a long time, started at 14 and will turn 27 next week. Took the Golden Gloves welter title in '36 and '39 before turning to the light-heavy pranks in '41.

Spent two and half years as a sergeant in Patton's forces... wounded in hand-to-hand combat crossing the Rhine... Admits he didn't get hot about his chances until he began running up his knockout string last year... Flattened guys like Erv Sarlin, not a bad light-heavy, Sid Peaks twice... Is managed by Chris Dundee... the

CURTIS SHEPPARD, nicknamed "The Hatchet Man," has been around a long time... rocks in his fists. Has fought mean top notchers... and is the only man who ever kayoed clever Joey Maxim. Did it in one... Created quite a hit, literally and figuratively, when he met the undefeated Argentinian champ, Alfredo La Gay in the semi to the second Louis-Walcott affair. Broke LaGay's jaw with a single blow... Flattened fellows like Lee Q. Murray, Buddy Walker and the same Flynn who decided Payne last season...

T. of C. has sealed the Manhattan Center opener at \$1.50, \$3, and a \$5 top... expect a good turnout despite TV... Could be. Heavies with a punch are crowd-pullers. The low-priced seats, well considerably lower than most, should be the tipoff tomorrow as to how T of C will fare in local competition against Mike Jacobs.

SANDY SADDLER laid it on against Young Finnegan in Panama Sunday night... bending him in half in five rounds. It was a rough fight and Finnegan made his big mistake in opening an old eye wound of Saddler's. Feather champ got mad and collapsed the opposition with one of his inimitable wrist-deep left hooks to the tummy...

The cut eye, however, won't keep Saddler from evening affairs with the well-rated Humberto Sierra in Philadelphia Monday

night. Humberto holds one of those fluke decisions over Sandy, which he'll probably pay dearly for... Willie Pep was ready to go in St. Louis last night as this paper went to press. The other guy was somebody named Red Top Davis...

T. of C's second Centre show figures to be Billy Graham and Fritz Pruden... Park Arena latest small club to fold... Broadway Arena reopens tonight with Jimmy Warren and Fred Manforte, local lightweights... Joe Bostic doing a fine job of announcing at the Ridgewood. Joe's the Amsterdam News scribe who broke precedent by becoming the first Negro fight announcer in the city...

Vince Foster's next will be Charlie Fusari. A slight case of murder, eh? This one hasn't been inked by Harry Markson yet... but it's tentatively scheduled for Feb. 18th or 25th... Heavy-handed Bernie Reynolds, the young man plodding the heavy comeback trail, goes with Gene Gosney at St. Nick's Friday night while the Garden ring is down for La Henie. If the Fairfield flailer sends the wild-swinging Gosney beddy-bye, it could mean a match with Roland LaStarza. That one would be a contest...

Results, Entries, Al's Picks

HIALEAH RESULTS

FIRST—3 furlongs; maidens, 2-year-olds; \$3,000.
Fighting Man (Rivers) 4.40 2.80 2.50
My Ginnie (Skoronski) 6.20 2.60
Whirling World (Atson) 2.90
Also ran: Abbe May, The Pyke, Ace Play, Dymy, College Boy, Scotch Jewel, Trumpet King. Time—33 4-5.

SECOND—7 furlongs; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,000.
Air Patrol (Hanford) 4.70 3.50 2.50
Crown Track (Rivers) 7.40 4.20
Rewarder (Betcheller) 3.40
Also ran: Roman Jobe, Andiamo, White Wine, St. Jack, Count Jill, Local Band, Hard Held, Radiate II, Called.
(Winner Picked by Al)

THIRD—6 furlongs; maidens, 3-year-olds; \$3,000.
Lake Success (Pieroni) 4.10 2.80 2.70
Whirlmyrig (Anderson) 3.70 3.40
Lucky Chip (Jemas) 10.70
Also ran: Ginkak, Pletto, Mercantile, Censured, Trifle, Gran Citella, Indian Brook, Pythones, Akalet, Time—1:13.

FOURTH—11-8 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,000.
Vinsfurlough (Scurlock) 17.10 8.90 5.40
Bright Warrior (Brooks) 21.80 9.50
Secundo S'bra (Scurlock) 4.00
Also ran: Joan's Robin, Larry D. Alto, Refresh, Musical Kid, Valley's Pal, Air Force II, Bowery Hall, History Maker. Time—1:52 4-5.

FIFTH—7 furlongs; allowances; 3-year-olds; \$3,500.
Mirthmaker (Gonzales) 65.30 24.70 12.40
Best Dolzsa (Saunders) 9.70 5.20
Repentance (Atkinson) 4.10
Also ran: Galloping Gus, Twilight Trail, College, Klimie, For Jon, Eternal Do, Razmatani, Fayette County, Some Town. Time—1:25 3-5.

SIXTH—6 furlongs; Hialeah Inaugural Handicap; 3-year-olds and up; \$10,000 added.
Delegate (Nelson) 4.0 3.50 3.10
Kitchen Police (Basile) 6.30 4.50
Circus Clown (Rivers) 7.20
Also ran: Education, Phar Mon, Manna H, Tight Squeeze, Blue Border, Busfuz. Time—1:10 4-5.

SEVENTH—11-8 miles; allowances; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,500.
Three Rings (Dodson) 7.70 4.70 3.40
a-Colum (Gilbert) 6.70 4.30
Frere Jacques (Skorski) 3.80
Also ran: Paraway, a-Surrender, Petrol Point, Barrage, Dinner Hour. Time—1:50 2-5.

a-Mariet entry.
(Winner Picked by Al)

EIGHTH—13-16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3,000.
Mr. Del (Gilbert) 22.90 11.40 8.50
Debiater (Wagner) 5.60 4.50
Mazius (South) 4.60
Also ran: Dismal Key, Belrate, Reproduction, Shadow Shot, Too Risky, Jingle Jangle, Colnova, Sugar Pete, Faithful.

HIALEAH ENTRIES

FIRST—3 furlongs; maidens, 2-year-olds; \$3,000.
Eternal Pam 117
Fighting Man 117
My Ginnie 117
Whirling World 117
Also ran: Abbe May, The Pyke, Ace Play, Dymy, College Boy, Scotch Jewel, Trumpet King. Time—33 4-5.

The international touch so popular in sports these days will be supplied in the coming weekend of track festivities featuring Swedish aces Erik Ahlden, Ingvar Bengsston and Holland's Willi Slykhius. It's a busy weekend, too, with the Philadelphia Inquirer meet Friday night and the Boston K of C games 24 hours later.

All attention will be focused on the two-mile clash in the Hub. After three weeks of preliminary workouts Ahlden will be gunning against Indian's Fred Wilt, undefeated in three straight. Slykhius, just arrived on these shores, will start Saturday night too if he feels in reasonable condition. Bengsston will work in the mile Friday and the 1,000 the next night. Browning Ross and Johnny Twomey will toe the mark against Bengsston in Philly—while Karver, Ross, Stone, Whitfield, Quinn and Barten try him out in the Boston 1,000.

DON GEHRMAN, rated our best mile prospect, won't be seen until the Millrose Meet at the Garden Jan. 29. He could be the boy to give the mile run its lost glory since the departure of Gil Dodds. Wisconsin's Gehrman has been clocked in a 4:08.5 trial which makes the efforts of George Wade and Phil O'Connell puny by comparison. Wade, Yale's junior, beat Ross in a 4:18.1 effort last Saturday night. O'Connell, Manhattan senior, clocked 4:19.9 in beating veteran Tommy Quinn at the Met AAU races.

A HOT DUEL is coming up Saturday night between Villanova's

Mel Patton Calls It a Career

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 17.—Sprinter Mel Patton, holder of the American record for the 100-yard dash, announced today he is quitting track competition at the University of Southern California because of family responsibilities.

The speedy athlete, who is married and has a two-year-old daughter, plans to go into business with his father-in-law, Ed Roos.

Patton will pass up his remaining year of eligibility on the cinder path to devote more time to business. He will graduate from SC next June.

Co-captain of the SC track team, Patton set a record of 9.3 seconds for the 100-yard dash at the Fresno Relays May 15. The mark has been accepted by the National AAU, which will seek to have the performance accepted as a world mark.

Patton won the 200-meter dash at the Olympics in London last summer and ran on the winning American 400-meter relay team.

George Guisa and NYU's Jim Gilhooley in the 600. Other entries in the Prout 600 include Bill Clifford, Frank Fox and maybe Dave Bolen... In the Philly 600 Friday night, Gilhooley will face O'Connell, Sugar Bowl champ Tom Dickey, Jim McKenna, Roscoe Browne and Ed Mathews...

NYU'S IRA KAPLAN, winner over Harrison Dillard two weeks ago and last week's victor over Tom Carey, will go against Ed Conwell, decathlon champ Bill Mathias and Syracuse's Bernie Custis (yes, the backfield man who looked so good at Bakers Field this past football season) in the Philly 50... Conwell was disqualified in the Met games Saturday night for breaking and made Kaplan's task simpler... The next night in Boston, Ira may meet Dillard in the return... although this one isn't settled yet...

TALKING DILLARD, Penn State has a lad named Jim Gehrdes who may become Dillard's

Memo to Stymie: Assault's Back

KINGSVILLE, Tex., Jan. 17.—Assault, the King Ranch racer, may try a comeback.

Reports have circulated in Kingsville for several days that Assault may run again next summer, but King Ranch veterinarian Dr. J. K. Northway said today "it's still very problematical."

"He's just like a champion trying a comeback," Northway said. "We can't tell anything definite."

The veterinarian disclosed, however, that Assault was now being galloped about the green pastures of the Texas Ranch. Northway added that more rigid training might be started within three weeks.

"He seems to be in good condition, but it depends on how he does in training whether we'll decide to race him."

The veterinarian added that the six-year-old had regained the spirit and fire of his youth.

Nostrand to Boston

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 17. (UP).—George Nostrand, veteran six-foot, eight-inch center, was traded today by the Providence Steamrollers of the Basketball Association of America to the Boston Celtics for forward Gene Stump and center Chuck Halbert. (The Steamrollers have won 4 out of 35.

biggest hurdle threat this season. He did 8.5 for 70-yard the other night... a brilliant clocking... Belgium's Gaston Rieff, 5,000-meter Olympic champ, will arrive today and debut in the Millrose two-mile... Messrs. Ahlden, Slykhius and Wilt, make room. —B.M.

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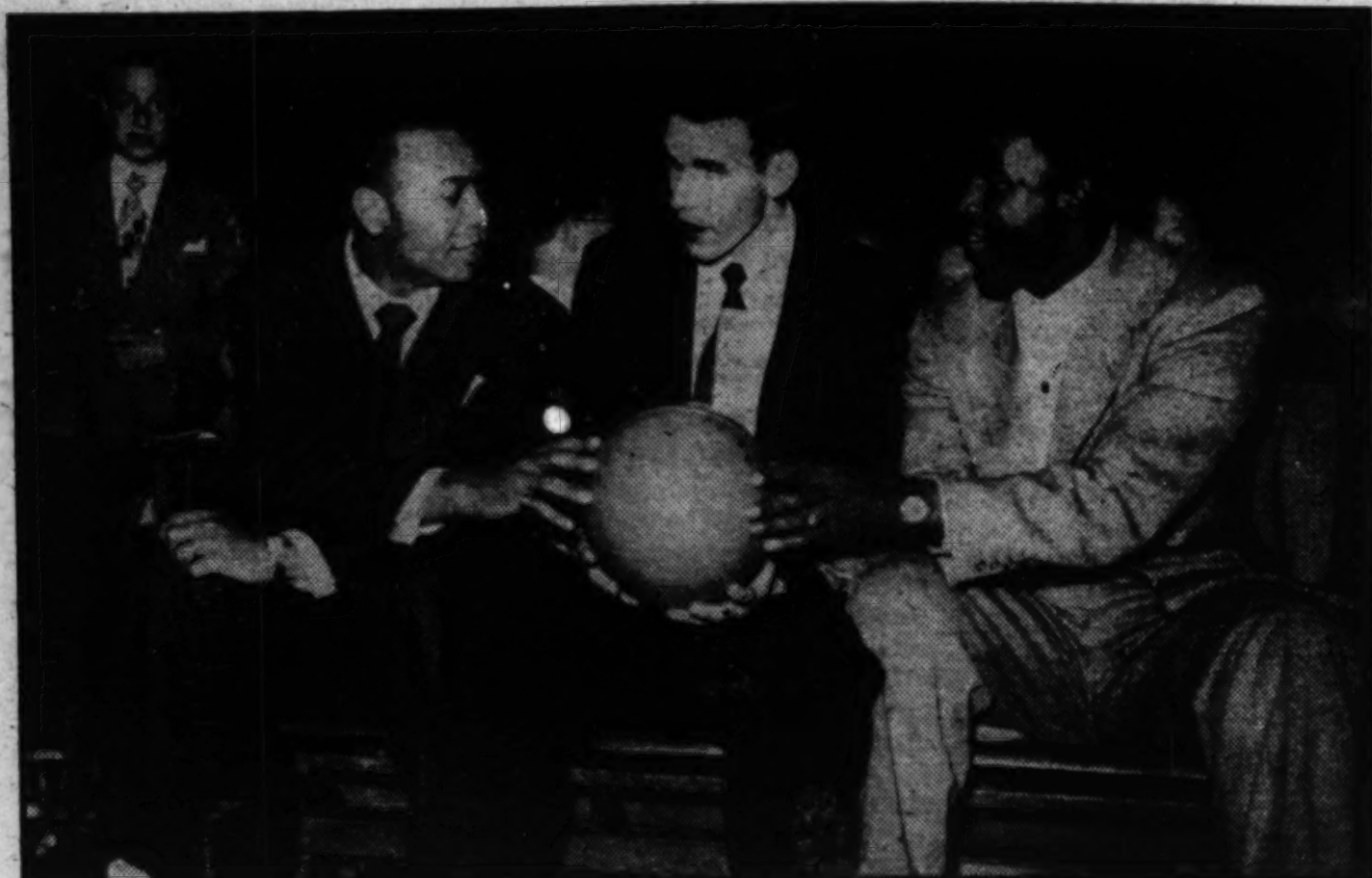
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AL'S SELECTIONS on back page (in two star edition only).

SOME PRETTY FAIR ATHLETES MEET



LARRY DOBY, ED MACAULEY AND JACKIE ROBINSON meet at Madison Square Garden after Macauley's great St. Louis team had beaten Long Island University. They are watching the tribute to CCNY's Nat Holman and chatting about basketball. Doby was a court star in his Paterson High School and on several pro teams, and Robinson led the Pacific Coast Conference in scoring while shooting them for UCLA. Doby and Robinson also play baseball.

PICK REDMEN, H.C. TONIGHT

The last college doubleheader before a combination of mid-year exams and Sonja Henie create a three-week lapse, takes place at Madison Square Garden tonight. While the games are not of top national significance, the bill presents two of the more formidable out of town visitors in De Paul and Holy Cross, and one of the country's most amazing shotmakers in Bob Cousy of the latter team.

St. Johns, in the throes of a four game losing streak, three of them last minute decisions, takes on De Paul in the opener, and Manhattan, which almost spilled unbeaten Villanova Saturday, tries its luck against Holy Cross in the nightcap. Both visiting teams are logically favored.

Holy Cross, floored early in the season by the loss through appendicitis of playmaker Mullaney, has lost five games. But the record is deceptive. The losses were to Kentucky by three, LaSalle and Tulane by two, St. Louis and Dartmouth, the last the only real shocker. Among their victims are Bowling Green and Loyola of Chicago.

The remarkable shooting Cousy has been unstoppable to date. He is rated a more versatile scorer than Yale's Lavelli and many coaches tab him the top offensive player in the land. There's no shot in the book he hasn't got, and he's invented a few new ones that smack of magic.

The DePaul-St. Johns game re-

calls one of the greatest comebacks in Garden history when the Chicagoans last year closed a 19 point gap with 11 minutes to go and won out in double overtime. Their record is 9-5 but such startling accomplishments as beaten A&M at Stillwater 39-32, Illinois by ten points and Notre Dame at South Bend 59-38 mark them a team to behold if they are on.

They're usually "on" against St. Johns, as Coach Frank McGuire morosely observed at the luncheon yesterday. But the Redmen are too good to lose five straight. So we pick them to upset DePaul, followed by a Holy Cross victory over Manhattan—L. R.

AL'S SELECTIONS

- 1—Encased, Make Swing, Our Frances.
- 2—Anvelt, Cross Bayou, Royal Pigeon.
- 3—Born to Win, Shillalah, Ragtime Band.
- 4—Beau Dandy, Coyote, Lord Crillo.
- 5—Allie's Pal, Whirl Top, Vaudeville.
- 6—Irisen, Nance's Ace, In the Pink.
- 7—Banovina, Var, Fort Mifflin.
- 8—Storm Hawk, Aralak, Compassion.

Giants Busiest Spring Team

National League clubs will play 232 spring exhibition games—132 against American League rivals—during the training season.

The Giants and the Chicago Cubs will play the highest number of exhibitions—36 each.

Five of the National League teams will wind up their spring training schedules with traditional pre-season intra-city games. The Cardinals will play the Browns, the Cubs will meet the White Sox, the Braves will face the Red Sox, the Phillies will play the Athletics and the Dodgers the New York Yankees.

The 1949 spring exhibition season will mark the first time in several years that National League clubs will confine their pre-season training strictly within the continental United States.

The Dodgers no longer find it necessary to leave Florida in order to play their Negro stars in exhibitions.

THE GIANTS AND MONTE IRVIN . . .

There are rumors afloat that the Giants have signed or will sign Monte Irvin, Negro outfielder. The Dodgers signed him recently for their St. Paul farm, but released him when the owner of the now defunct Newark Eagles claimed contract violation. Story now going rounds is that Giants are buying him legitimately. As far as we can determine, it's still just a story. We've heard a lot of song and dances out of Horace Stoneham in the last few years. However, the pressure has been mounting against the New York club, and there was no flat denial from the Giant offices. "Wait till Hubbell gets back from vacation," is their comment. Carl is director of the farm system.

On the Score Board

By Lester Rodney



It Happened in 1936

THIS IS ANNIVERSARY week for the Daily Worker, which was born in 1924 and hasn't missed an issue since and you can use the word "issue" any way you want and it still goes.

The sport section joined the family in 1936, twelve years later. It came about as the result of an overwhelming vote of "yea" by the readers after a year of sports in the Sunday Worker. So on Monday, September 21st, the back page blossomed forth with its first sport headline. Your operative wrote the lead story (probably on this same typewriter!) and it was entitled **GIANT POWER THREATENS YANKS.** The Yanks won the Series in six games, which immediately established our good standing in the sports-writing fraternity.

On the same page we had a comprehensive listing of Negro baseball players rated big league caliber by big league managers and players, and posed a straight question to Ford Frick, president of the National League. Needless to say there had never been such goings on in any of the "big" daily sports sections.

The campaign was on.

Couple of nights later we covered a five-round knockout victory by a 21-year-old heavyweight out of Detroit named Joe Louis. His victim was Al Ettore, and how's your memory? Same week fellow name of Carl Hubbell who wore his baseball pants down to his ankles and threw a left-handed screwball that broke the wrong way pitched the Giants into the mathematical certainty of a tie for the pennant. Also happened to be his 16th straight victory, putting him in the Dazzy Vance-Schoolboy Rowe category.

The Giant batting order had Jojo Moore, that scrawny looking first ball hitter; Dick Bartell, pepper pot short-top just hired as a coach by Red Rolfe, manager of the Tigers, who played against him in the '36 Series; Mel Ott, at the height of his deadly career, lifting that right leg and levelling on everything that came his way; Jimmy Ripple, the mediocre man who got hot for World Series; Sam Leslie, sub first baseman for Manager Bill Terry who was out for the moment with an injury (probably a sprained neck from counting the house too often); the very slow and very reliable Gus Mancuso behind the plate; Burgess Whitehead at second base, and Travis Jackson making his last stand at third.

The Yanks, just to keep the record straight, lined up those days with Crosetti, Rolfe, DiMaggio, Dickey, Selkirk, Lazzeri. . . . The Dodgers finished seventh, more or less their habitat at the period.

Yanks, Louis Working Up Steam

SO WE CAME in on the beginning of a team and a fighter who haven't been topped yet. The Yanks went ahead to win their pennant for the next three years, giving the National League opposition a grand total of three games in the four Series. And Joe Louis moved ahead to win the heavyweight championship of the world and pile up the most magnificent record in ring history.

There was an inevitable crop of wise cracks at the beginning of a sport section for our paper. The late Heywood Brown, intrigued, wrote that the course of the new section would be interesting, since "you can't class angle a box score." Two years later, in his nationally syndicated column, he wrote of the opposite treatment given by the Daily Worker and the Times to Detroit magnate Briggs' shocking firing of Mickey Cochrane.

Problems peculiar to working for the only newspaper which didn't make a habit of peddling half truths for truths, popped up right at the start. I remember an indignant letter during the first football season from a couple out west. They said they had been reading the Daily Worker since it began publication. They had learned over the years that when the Daily Worker said something had happened or was going to happen, by gosh it happened, even if every other paper said the opposite. Now, they said sadly, they didn't know what to believe any more. For the Daily Worker had distinctly said that NYU was going to beat Fordham, and NYU did NOT beat Fordham!

Unique Problems

A LOT OF TOUCHDOWNS have been scored since 1936. Just offhand, I would list Joe DiMaggio as the greatest all-round ballplayer we've seen. Bobby Feller at his pre-war peak was the greatest big league pitcher. Satchel Paige at HIS pre-war peak the greatest pitcher period. Cliff Battles was the finest running back, Sid Luckman the best passer, Joe Louis of course the best big fighter, Henry Armstrong the top little man, Hank Luisetti the best basketball player, and Don Budge of around 1938 the finest tennis player. From this you can gather that we regard the thirties as having produced more top-notch athletes than the forties. Correct. Call me a nostalgic old timer—but list better products of this decade to prove it.

The Daily Worker's sports section hasn't been the biggest around and hasn't always carried the latest scores. But because it's part of a people's paper it can list more genuine accomplishments than any other sports section in the land. Athletes know they will be portrayed as the human beings they are in our pages. Magnates know we will pull no punches where sportsmanship and the welfare of the ball players are at stake. As the KKK of Georgia bellows about the historic appearance of Jackie Robinson and Roy Campanella in Georgia this spring, there are millions of people who know that it was this paper that launched the campaign to end jimcrow in our national pastime.

It's been a busy dozen years. The next twelve should be a lot of fun, too.

P. S.—You don't want to miss "Fighting Words," the wonderful book about the Daily Worker coming out this week. Buy a few extra for your friends who don't know. . . .

Gathered at Court Luncheon

TIDBITS PICKED UP around the last basketball luncheon for three weeks (what are we going to do for a Monday meal all that time!).

Coach Ray Meyer of De Paul—"I think Illinois has the best chance in the Big Ten. They're off running with three road victories. They only play Minnesota once, at Champagne. Baldwin—Wallace, the Ohio team which plays CCNY at Cleveland, is a terrific outfit. They beat us (De Paul went on to down Oklahoma A&M and Notre Dame), they beat Bowling Green by 13 points and beat La Salle of Philly the other night.

They have a good 6-7 center." Cheerful news for CCNY, eh? Baldwin Wallace, by the way, is the little school which gave Harrison Dillard to the sports world.

Ken Norton of Manhattan—"I watched Holy Cross play Loyola. This Cousy must be the hottest shotmaker in the country. We have to stop him to win."

FRANK CAPPON of Princeton, currently leading the Ivy League. "I still think Yale is the team but this is a crazy game. Any of us can beat any other team in the league any night I saw Cousy too. He's out of this world." Speaking of it being a crazy

game, did anyone see inept looking Syracuse and shothappy Temple on the same program last week? Saturday night Syracuse trimmed Temple by 10 points!

NYU STUDENT managers tell me the Violet is adding a good shot in February. Jim Brasco, former Lincoln star and a high scoring frosh up to now, becomes eligible for the big team. Coming into school in February from Brooklyn Academy, where he has been making up marks, is Connie Schaaf, Seward Park's 6-4 All Scholastic high scorer last year. He'll be ready for next season's varsity.